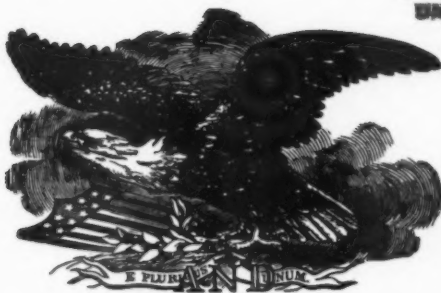


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### The War Program

**AIR FORCES' MATERIEL COMMAND**  
BY MAJ. GEN. CHAS. E. BRANSHAW  
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EPOCHAL events do not occur by accident. Thus the turn of the tide of battle from a losing to a winning trend was due to no mere psychological enemy slow-up or turn of luck. It can be accounted for only by mass numbers of overpowering superior equipment. Even before this equipment was produced in quantity it showed an authority and effectiveness which accounted for more destruction than anyone, even the Americans themselves, at that time thought possible.

The anatomical structure of this air success may be accredited to several sources—an aspiring industry, certain government military and non-military organizations, and in no small manner to the Materiel Command, Wright Field. These laboratories located in the once placid valleys of the Wright brothers' experiments, have vibrated and thundered ever since World War I to the constantly rising anthem of air progress.

It is here that aeronautical engineers and pilots, patiently through round and lean years, have conceived and tested, discarded and redesigned, failed, persisted and won! It is here that the airplane changed from a biplane hung together with struts and wires to an internally braced monoplane of symmetry and power; it is here that in the search of replacements for critical materials, substitutes were developed that proved better than the originals. Synthetic rubber for gasoline resistant fuel hose and nylon parachutes are examples of such developments, perfected over a period of years in cooperation with the industry.

Thousands of tests of materials and structures here yielded basic information which designers needed to forge into new fields. Here valves overheated and burned out in endless experiments before they became a part of the world's outstanding aircooled engines. Here the early turbo superchargers were fretted and worked toward improvement, almost abandoned in despair, finally transformed into the equipment that has given the United States the outstanding "upstairs" bombers in today's battles.

Structures, materials, aerodynamic forms, propellers, power plants, armament, navigation and electrical equipment, automatic pilots, oxygen masks, ariators clothing, large shapes and small, hard things and soft, all were ceaselessly wrought with immeasurable human determination and patience toward this unsuspected hour of national destiny.

The present U. S. Army Air Forces as represented by its "materiel" may be said to be the result of what has often been called the finest test equipment in the world and an organization of aeronautical specialists and pilot-engineers, military and non-military, who have made of aviation a life work. The urge of war was never needed as a prod. Pioneers in a new science, its amazing

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Armored Car M8, latest combat vehicle addition to U. S. Army mechanized equipment. Designed by the Ordnance Department to combine the speed and maneuverability of an automobile with the punch and armored protection of a light tank, the M8 is a 6-wheeled, 8-ton armored car capable of high speed over virtually any type terrain and has good grade-climbing qualities. It has a low silhouette, resembling a turtle's back, mounts a 37 mm. cannon and a .30 caliber machine gun, and is intended principally as a combat reconnaissance car. A crew of four handles the M-8, protected by armor plate.



—Army Signal Corps Photo.

### Shifting of Strength to Ground Forces Seen

Revelation this week that the Army Air Forces will turn back to the Ground and Service Forces a total of about 36,000 men who had volunteered for aerial duty after having received basic training in the other forces is the first strong outward evidence that the Army Ground Force is being substantially strengthened in light of the lessons from the Italian and Russian fronts and the pending opening of a western front in Europe.

The 36,000 men involved is not a large total, but when it is considered that they all had qualified under the rigid air cadet standards and that in spite of its own needs the Air Force had been prevailed upon to return them to the ground elements, the significance is apparent. Other trends have been in the same direction, such as the release to combat elements of men training under the Specialized Training program.

As the assault upon Europe draws nearer, the Ground Forces are continuing to increase in proportion to the Air Forces, and, in some degree, in proportion to the Service Forces. This increase goes directly back to the induction centers and continues all along the training and transportation lines.

How this numerical increase in the Army Ground Forces will be utilized is a technical question to which the Army's best minds are devoting their utmost ability. The fierce fighting on the Russian fronts and at Cassino and Anzio have demonstrated that even definite air superiority and reduction of the enemies strongholds to rubble, such as at Cassino, still leaves the Infantry with a terrific and bloody task in dislodging a determined enemy. There are some who would increase the size of the Infantry Division to give it more weight and staying power for such difficult tasks. However, the trend in our Army, as in most others, has been toward a reduction of personnel in Divisions while retaining maximum fire power through increased use of automatic and semi-automatic weapons.

Most generally the thought in the United States Army has been toward the maintenance of our present size divisions, which were reorganized as late as last Summer. Neither is our trend toward the utilization of new ground force personnel

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### Expand Naval Committee

An increase in the membership of the House Naval Affairs Committee from 27 to 29 was voted by the House this week.

The new members are Representatives Emory H. Price, Dem., Fla.; John D. McWilliams, Rep., Conn., and William A. Rowan, Dem., Ill., the latter succeeding the late Leonard W. Schuetz, Dem., Ill.

### Dentists' Right to Command

At the request of the War Department, Chairman Reynolds, N. C., of the Senate Military Committee, this week introduced a bill to permit officers of the Dental Corps to exercise command.

Existing law grants to dentists command power over personnel of the Dental Corps only. The proposed legislation grants command authority similar to that authorized for the Medical, Veterinary, Pharmacy, Medical Administrative and Sanitary corps of the Medical Department, the Nurse Corps being the only one other than the Dental Corps not now having the right to command.

In its letter the Department said: "The training received by officers of the Dental Corps qualifies them professionally for command to the same extent as officers of other corps of the Medical Department, and there are many occasions when it would be most desirable that they be qualified by law to exercise such command. The removal of the . . . statutory limitation would permit maximum flexibility in the administration and command of Medical Department installations."

### Report "G-I Bill of Rights"

The general veterans' benefit bill, S. 1767, was reported to the Senate 18 March by the Senate Finance Committee, and is scheduled for early consideration.

The bill provides: Unsecured, low-interest loans to veterans for purchases of homes, farms or businesses. Creation of a job placement agency for veterans.

Unemployment benefits. Continuance of education at government expense along the general lines of a separate bill reported some weeks ago by the Senate Committee on Education and Labor.

Authorization of up to \$500,000,000 in appropriations for veterans' hospital facilities. Classification of the Veterans' Administration as a vital war agency, with priority over personnel and materials second to the Army and Navy.

A guarantee that service personnel will not be discharged or released until the certificate of discharge or release is ready for delivery to them, and a guarantee that disabled personnel will not be discharged until they have executed claims for compensation or stated that they did not desire to file such claims.

### Plan to Stop Regular Promotions Defeated

Resumption of permanent promotions in the Regular Army has been approved by the Senate Military Affairs Committee, which in an action-filled week:

Voted to report all pending nominations for promotion to various grades below general officer in the Regular Army, some of the nominations having been pending in the committee for nearly six months.

Tabled a resolution which would have directed the Secretary of the Senate to return to the President all nominations for permanent promotion of general officers submitted during the war.

Abolished its standing five-man subcommittee on nominations.

Agreed, with one dissenting vote, to refer all future nominations to special three-man subcommittees reported for the purposes.

Accepted a House proposal to permit up to 12 of the Army's permanent brigadier generals to be appointed from among officers less than 50 years of age.

Left up in the air was any direct action on the 14 general officer nominations which precipitated the whole nominations dispute in October, 1943. It is believed that the generals' nominations will be referred individually to the special three-man subcommittees, and acted upon separately after the President signs the bill to permit appointment of junior officers.

Early in October, the President nominated five Regular Army officers for permanent promotion to major general and nine officers for permanent promotion to brigadier general. Named for major general were: Brig. Gen. Jonathan M. Wainwright, Brig. Gen. Joseph W. Stilwell, Col. George S. Patton, Jr., Cav.; Col. Brehon Somervell, CE; and Col. Joseph T. McNarney, AC, all lieutenant generals, AUS. Named for brigadier general were: Lt. Col. George C. Kenney, AC; Col. Carl Spaatz, AC; Lt. Col. Omar N. Bradley, Inf.; Lt. Col. Ira C. Eaker, AC; Col. Millard F. Harmon, AC; Col. Robert L. Eichelberger, Inf.; Lt. Col. Thomas T. Handy, FA; Lt. Col. Walter B. Smith, Inf., and Lt. Col. Mark W. Clark, Inf. Lieutenant Colonels Handy and Smith were major generals, AUS; the other seven all lieutenant generals, AUS.

Since five of the officers—Kenney, Clark, Handy, Eaker and Smith—did not have the 28 years' of active commissioned service required by the act of 13 June 1940, the President asked an amendment of the act to validate appointment to brigadier general of lieutenant colonels with less than 28 years' commissioned service.

A bill, S. 1410, to amend the 1940 act was promptly introduced, reported by the Senate Military Committee and passed without dissent by the Senate on 6 Oct. 1943.

At this point, controversy began. The House Military Committee after several days of consideration, termed the bill too sweeping, and added an amendment pro-

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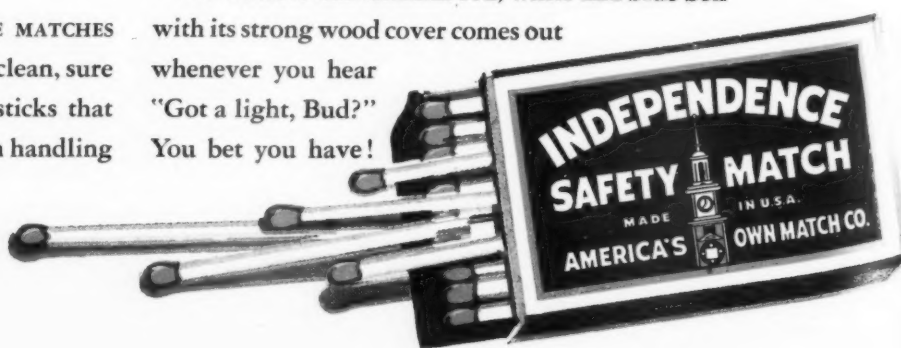
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## Inspects Signal Corps Work

Maj. Gen. Harry C. Ingles, Chief Signal Officer, has just returned from a five-week inspection tour of Signal Corps installations in the Central Pacific, South Pacific and Southwest Pacific theaters of operation.

Speaking to reporters 21 March he stated that the inspection was not of communications installations alone but also of supply of communications equipment in these areas.

"Admiral Halsey, Admiral Nimitz and General MacArthur told me," General Ingles said, "they had never been held up on an operation because of lack of communications equipment."

He explained that such equipment used in tropical zones is attacked not only by moisture but by fungus growths. A number of fungus resisting chemicals are employed to keep radio equipment in working condition. Dry batteries are another problem in this climate. These, he said, are usually kept in cold storage until issued to troops in the field. A special battery is however being developed which he thinks will be a decided improvement.

The blanketing effect of wet jungle foliage also cuts down the range of the widely-used walkie-talkie sets to far below the distance. In the previous use of communications in war the radio has been regarded as an auxiliary means. In the war in the Pacific, with battle fronts separated by vast water distances it is usually the only means.

The ingenuity displayed by Signal Corps personnel impressed him most of all, General Ingles stated. Efficient methods have been worked out to overcome every type of communications problem and in addition Signal Corps troops in this area are definitely combat troops, often fighting their way in from the beaches to string wire in the jungles.

"The relationship between the Army and the Navy over there is splendid," he said, "I don't see how it could be improved."

In stressing the value of the training films being obtained by Signal Corps cameramen, General Ingles pointed out that in island operations as never before pictures are taken directly at the point of contact with the enemy. The 18 per cent of usable footage of such films is a remarkable record when compared with the commercial average of 10 per cent.

Japanese radio equipment captured and inspected has been found to be in general a copy of German equipment. Few enemy installations proved to be in usable condition after capture of the islands. This, he stated, was no particular drawback, as modern radio installations do not require the high and permanent towers used formerly a 40 or 50 foot pole being sufficient in most cases.

## Heads Third District

Rear Adm. William Robert Munroe, USN, will be detached as commandant 7th Naval District, Miami, Fla., and commander, Gulf Sea Frontier, to become commandant of the 3rd Naval District, New York, on 1 April.

Rear Adm. Edward J. Merquart, USN, now commandant of the 3rd Naval District, will be placed on the retired list and relieved of all active duty on 1 April.

## Explosions at Ord. Depot

Col. A. F. Byers, commanding officer of the Umatilla Army ammunition depot at Ordnance, Ore., announced 22 March that five or six persons are believed missing from an explosion. The blast broke windows six miles away and was felt in Pendleton, 30 miles east.

## Did You Read—

the following news last week:

Board to select retired naval officers for promotion?

Army orders medical officers relieved of many types of jobs?

Marine board to select up to 200 aviators for permanent commissions?

Chief of Staff tours southern Army stations?

Details of Navy's chapel, hospital, other shore facility expansion?

If not you did not read the ARMY AND NAVY JOURNAL. You cannot obtain this information from any other source.

## Rewards for War Service

Under serious consideration in the War Department is a proposal to recommend to Congress that it enact legislation which would advance one grade on retirement Regular Army officers who hold higher rank in the present war, provide pay of chief warrant officer or warrant officer, junior grade, for enlisted men who hold commissions, and permit enlisted men who are holding higher enlisted rank to retain such rank and retire in it.

There are more than a dozen bills pending in Congress which single out specific groups for special advancement because of war service, and the proposed policy of the War Department will be to recommend an overall rank policy as a substitute.

The proposal now under study would not affect present disability retirement laws, except that a service man entitled to greater benefits under the proposed general retirement law would receive them in lieu of the benefits of the disability retirement act.

Specifically, it is proposed that: Officers who hold temporary higher rank during this war, will upon retirement, retire with the highest rank held as an honorary rank, and would for pay and subsequent active duty purposes be promoted one grade. For example, a permanent captain who is promoted to lieutenant colonel, would on retirement receive pay of a major of equal service and honorary rank of lieutenant colonel. If he returned to active duty, it would be as a major.

Permanent Regular Army warrant officers who hold commissions would not specifically be provided for, on the assumption that if there is even a moderate expansion of the Army after the war, most of this group will retain their commissions.

Regular Army enlisted men who hold temporary commissions as majors or higher would, on retirement, receive retired pay of chief warrant officer and would have as an honorary rank the highest rank held by them.

Enlisted men who hold temporary commissions as second lieutenants, first lieutenants or captains, would retire with pay of warrant officer, junior grade, and with honorary rank equal to highest rank held.

Enlisted men who hold higher enlisted rank temporarily would, upon retirement, retire with such higher rank and the pay of the higher rank.

It is also possible that such enlisted men would continue to hold such higher enlisted rank on the active list after the war, if the expansion of the Army justifies it.

These proposals are in some respects more far-reaching than legislation covering World War veterans. Under the act of 1932, enacted 14 years after the Armistice, all ranks on retirement were entitled to the highest rank held as an honorary rank. No additional pay was involved. A latter act provided that enlisted men who had held commissions, should, in addition to receiving the honorary promotion, be paid the retired pay of a warrant officer of equal service. When two warrant grades were created, it was determined that this meant pay of warrant officer, junior grade.

## Post-War Military Study

The House Rules Committee voted yesterday to give the right of way to the Wadsworth resolution to create a special 21-man House committee to study the nation's post-war military policy.

The measure has the support of the Speaker, the Majority and Minority Leaders, and the Chairmen of the Military and Naval Affairs Committees. A letter in support of the resolution has been sent to the Rules Committee by Secretary of the Navy Knox.

Appearing before the Rule Committee last Friday in support of a special order of business for a \$1.6-billion Navy shore establishments bill, Naval Committee Chairman Vinson declared:

"I would like very much to see the Wadsworth resolution reported out just as soon as possible."

Asked by Rules Committee members what his committee was doing to safeguard our investments in bases overseas, Representative Vinson declared,

"That is one of the subjects relating to post-war policy that the Wadsworth committee would study."

Speaker Rayburn has announced that, upon approval of the resolution, he will appoint as chairman of the group, Representative Woodrum, of Va., and as another of the seven members at large, Mr. Wadsworth. The resolution provides that seven members shall be chosen from the House at large, seven from the Military Affairs Committee and seven from the Naval Affairs Committee.

In his letter of endorsement of the project to the Rules Committee, Secretary Knox stated:

"I have your letter of 10 March making inquiry of my views on the proposal to create a select committee to be known as the 'Committee on Post-War Military Policy.' I have discussed this matter with Representative Wadsworth and Chairman Vinson, of the Naval Affairs Committee. I am in thorough going accord with the proposal and hope that such a select committee will be created."

"We will have some very serious and difficult problems to meet in the post-war era, and I am sure the Navy will gain great advantage from a study of policies by the members of the Committee."

The committee also has asked the Secretary of War for his comments.

## Reports on Infantry Action

Brig. Gen. William H. Wilbur, assistant commander of the 36th Infantry Division, in Washington 23 March after his return from the Cassino sector of the Italian front, said that the Infantry soldier is living up to the best traditions of the American Army.

The Infantryman is highly appreciative of the support given him by the Artillery and the Air Forces, according to General Wilbur, and also has a high regard for the Medical Corpsmen, many of whom have a complete disregard for their own safety when their aid is needed.

"The rifle soldier is the soul of our military effort," he reported. "Alone, many times unseen, he does his job of getting forward under fire to close hand-to-hand with the enemy. That requires more guts, more stamina, more individual initiative, than is expected of any other individual of the armed forces, whether an officer or enlisted man."

General Wilbur found that the attitude of the German soldier has undergone a transformation since Tunisia, where those taken were arrogant and proud.

"The astonishing thing to us," he went on, "is that they still believe Germany is going to win the war. They no longer think they will win by offensive action and the destruction of the armies of the Allied nations, but that they will win because they will never give up."

"German equipment is good. It is new and in good condition. And the German soldier is well fed, and his medical service is remarkably good."

## Badges Awarded Retroactively

Retroactive award of Expert and Combat Infantryman badges will be made to personnel who have established eligibility on or after 6 Dec., 1941, and have been recommended for the award under the provisions requiring satisfactory performance of duty in action or exemplary conduct in action.

The Expert Infantryman badge may be awarded under the provisions requiring the attainment of a standard of proficiency only to those who established eligibility and received recommendation on or after 27 Oct., 1943.

The first award of the Expert Infantryman badge will be made 29 March at Fort Bragg, N. C., to a member of the 100th Infantry Division. The presentation will be made by Lt. Gen. Lesley J. McNair, commanding general of the Army Ground Forces. Maj. Gen. W. A. Burrell, commanding general of the 100th Infantry Division will direct the program. Brig. Gen. M. L. Miller, assistant commanding general, and Col. Mark McClure, Division Chief of Staff, will assist in the final testing of the men to determine the initial winner of the badge.

## More Funds for Repairs

An increase to \$95,000,000 of the Navy's 1945 budget for repair facilities was asked of Congress this week by the President. The general 1945 Navy budget submitted to Congress several weeks ago asked \$15,000,000 for this purpose.

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## Army Promotions

The following temporary promotions in the Army of the United States have been announced by the War Department:

### Lt. Col. to Colonel

C. H. Pedersen, AC	J. H. Rothrock, AC
R. A. Eads, CWS	H. B. Dudley, Inf.
J. G. Flynn, jr., AC	C. F. Collier, jr., GSC
W. M. Everett, jr., GSC	Karl Detzer, GSC
C. E. Hise, CE	D. L. Provost, AC
W. R. Barnett, TC	J. Kilpatrick, TC
L. B. Brown, Inf.	F. S. Forsberg, AUS
C. F. Schumacher, Inf.	M. F. Moyer, AC
	J. S. Waters, jr., AUS
	J. D. Witten, GSC

### Major to Lt. Col.

Don Udall, JAGD	C. E. Sheen, AGD
W. G. Downs, jr., TC	J. B. Buchanan, Sig C
J. W. Karraker, OD	T. S. Davis, jr., CE
J. A. Hewitt, CE	A. D. Reid, CAC
F. R. Blankenship, CE	H. P. Eichternach, CAC
L. H. Towers, CE	W. D. Thomas, Cav.
H. T. Marling, Inf.	I. Newman, II, TC
G. F. Keeling, AC	C. B. Cutler, DC
F. K. Robeson, jr., AUS	N. L. Davis, CAC
G. B. Bilderback, AUS	P. C. Lawton, CMP
A. M. Welsh, AC	W. W. Willson, MC
Frank Mercer, FA	J. W. Burba, DC
P. A. Johnson, Cav.	W. H. Holland, AUS
D. E. Conrad, AC	A. Desrochers, TC
B. K. Sama, AC	H. G. Spillars, AC
C. C. Evers, AC	T. J. Mooney, TC
W. D. Harrison, AC	L. E. Eastmond, AC
J. H. Bishop, AC	A. Wachsberger, MC
F. E. Hild, AC	H. F. Pinkvoss, CAC
H. D. Smalley, AC	C. S. Miller, Inf.
J. A. Peterson, AC	R. P. Dodds, TC
L. R. Bratton, AC	C. D. Pittman, MC
E. E. Locke, AC	H. B. Holbrook, DC
F. E. Huston, AC	K. W. Dalton, QMC
R. L. Wehr, AC	R. C. Steele, QMC
G. M. Frame, Inf.	F. W. August, CMP
W. H. Turner, AC	H. R. Brinkman, TC
J. F. Reed, AC	J. E. Morris, CE
A. C. Miller, jr., AC	R. E. Smotherman, CE
J. R. Williams, AC	G. M. Wood, Inf.
C. H. Haase, FA	J. F. Lubben, jr., MC
C. B. Northrup, jr., AC	A. D. Bertolotti, CAC
J. H. Montfort, AC	D. Barnett, JAGD
H. G. Cook, AC	F. L. Hichisch, Inf.
W. D. Croy, AC	W. F. Atkins, Sig C
A. Killgore, AC	F. H. Kinyoun, MC
A. F. Adams, AC	D. McClure, AC
T. E. Mack, Inf.	J. F. Winburn, QMC
B. E. Patton, CMP	G. C. Cobb, Inf.
G. K. Grace, MC	G. W. Hill, jr., AUS
L. M. Fletcher, DC	B. C. Jones, AC
T. Holt, jr., TC	C. J. Morey, AC
M. L. Schwartz, AUS	E. L. Safford, IGD
J. J. Stern, JAGD	J. G. Peters, TC
R. M. Shafer, QMC	R. S. Johnson, Sig C
C. S. B. Edmondson, Inf.	R. G. Latimer, DC
J. C. Tourne, TC	M. L. Mason, AUS
J. E. Milling, jr., AC	R. M. Benedict, AC
W. W. Chapman, jr., Inf.	J. C. Orr, CE
J. S. Stillman, jr., MC	F. H. Warren, CE
W. S. Hansen, MC	D. M. Hamilton, AUS
H. D. Collingwood, TC	A. G. Barker, AUS
L. D. Hoffman, AC	W. M. Hanson, AUS
Soll Goodman, MC	C. Y. Farrell, CE
R. M. Mockins, CE	D. A. Philippi, AC
R. S. Bowles, FA	B. M. Lloyd, AC
O. T. McCloskey, OD	J. J. Larsen, FA
E. E. Mercer, AC	T. W. Berman, Inf.
H. W. Lindsey, AC	C. P. Tilton, AUS
J. F. Whitney, QMC	O. K. Gardner, AUS
A. P. Terrell, FA	Z. M. Lipsett, TC
F. R. Mast, TC	C. E. Brooks, Inf.
E. C. McCoy, CWS	H. E. Campbell, AC
T. J. Classen, AC	C. R. Mabee, JAGD
E. R. Goss, AC	C. E. Bowman, AUS
B. Cherakin, FA	T. L. Brownell, AC
G. B. Pitney, Sig C	E. D. Odenbaugh, jr., AUS
W. O. Allison, QMC	C. M. Burwell, Cav.
F. G. Slaughter, MC	N. M. Faulk, AUS
	C. W. Coleman, AC

### Captain to Major

Logan Metz, AC	J. G. Kohlwe, AC
R. M. Rockoff, FD	C. A. Roche, AUS
C. A. Dickerson, FD	R. S. Mitchell, jr., AUS
C. J. Lerner, FD	J. M. Kenney, MC
E. R. Rundquist, FD	E. S. Taylor, MC
D. W. Rachal, Inf.	V. L. Rebek, AC
F. L. Smith, jr., FD	R. T. Congleton, AUS
C. S. Hanson, FA	A. G. Bickford, Inf.
T. F. Gallaher, jr., OD	J. P. Davis, AC
D. J. Schoonmaker, AC	W. G. Osmun, AC
R. L. Holtzman, AC	R. G. Whittington, jr., AC
R. P. Booth, Inf.	R. E. Lee, jr., DC
W. S. Skelly, FD	L. L. Coleman, AUS
L. A. Moore, TC	W. E. White, AC
C. W. Wilson, FD	L. Hawel, jr., AC
W. P. Williams, AC	R. R. Hanford, MC
E. G. Morrison, AUS	E. R. Prince, AUS
E. M. Cocking, AUS	L. S. Johnson, jr., AC
M. W. Fillmore, AC	R. H. Compton, AC
J. J. Slack, AC	W. A. Bennett, jr., Inf.
E. G. Wilson, AUS	V. H. Castle, AC
P. K. Crowe, Cav.	F. W. Donkin, AUS
R. E. Kraft, Inf.	R. W. Winchell, AC
E. S. Lundgren, MC	G. C. Stetter, AUS
J. W. Lewis, MC	F. L. Moore, AC
E. C. Kunde, MC	E. H. Mercer, MC
E. G. Wagner, AC	
Leo Alpert, AC	
Edgar James, AC	

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## The Journal Salutes

Lt. Gen. James H. Doolittle, USA, and Lt. Gen. Holland M. Smith, USMC, just promoted to three-star rank. Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, USN, whom the House Voted a DSM.

T. Sgt. C. E. Kelley, Inf., whose exploits in Italy won him the Medal of Honor.



## Shooting Our Own Planes

New York *Herald Tribune*—"The destruction of the American transport planes off Sicily was, to be sure, an aggravated case, not only because of the extent of the loss but because of the circumstances under which it occurred. This should have been recognized by the military and naval authorities, and the facts should have been given to the public as quickly as was consonant with military security."

David Lawrence's syndicated column—"There have been other tragic mistakes just as serious as those just disclosed as having happened last July in Sicily. These should be revealed to the public now so that a thorough investigation may be made either by congressional committees or by an impartial board of inquiry such as was appointed by the President after the Pearl Harbor disaster."

St. Louis *Globe-Democrat*—"Such heartbreaking accidents do occur in war, especially in one of the dimensions and various types of fighting as we now wage. It may be argued that someone blundered; perhaps he did. Maybe the paratroop planes should not have been sent during the night over our own positions, when the chance of enemy bombing existed. A loss like this, grievous as it is, cannot be assumed to show general incapacity in command. But one error cannot easily be explained. Why did Army authorities

think it necessary to withhold a report in the matter?"

Birmingham *News*—"Now, such an incident is by no means unprecedented in warfare and, under the circumstances existing at the time, is understandable. . . . It is conceivable that military expediency might have made necessary the temporary withholding of this news from the public. But it is difficult to see what good could have been served by keeping mum about it indefinitely."

Washington *Post*—"Self-inflicted casualties may occasionally be a part of the frightful cost of war. As to the incident itself, we do not feel qualified to pass judgment. For the concealment of it, however, there appears to be no justification whatever."

Indianapolis *Star*—"Radar has established automatic identification of friendly planes, but such scientific aids could not function in a sudden crisis like that in Sicily."

"The War Department blundered in attempting to bury the tragedy behind the Army censorship."

Wilmington, Morning *News*—"The case just revealed is surrounded with many extenuating circumstances. . . . One may also question the wisdom of withholding news of this sort. It seems to be taking the armed services a long time to learn that unpleasant facts are best told and that unnecessary secrecy

weakens the public faith in the veracity of official reports."

Minneapolis *Morning Tribune*—"The Sicilian mistake was a great one, but it was only adding to the mistake by vain efforts to keep it a secret. Incidents of that character, witnessed by so many persons, cannot be withheld from public knowledge, and sooner or later are certain to become known, in a manner that seriously reduces the confidence of the public in the official announcements of the Army and Navy."

Boston *Herald*—"In the heat of battle, when human emotions are at a desperate pitch and machines work faster than the brain, identification of enemy forces on land, in the air and in the water, often becomes impossible. . . . But while bowing meekly to the inevitable, many people will be disturbed by the incidental aspects of this dreadful event. The Army and Navy suppressed the news for more than eight months."

Norfolk *Ledger-Dispatch*—"Mistakes like the one made by Sicily anti-aircraft gunners are inevitable in war. Tragically enough, men are sometimes killed by barrages from their own comrades. But it is compounding the error with what looks like a bad conscience (though the facts do not suggest that it was other than an unavoidable mistake) when officialdom keeps it closeted for eight months before prodded into owning up."

## Unification of Combat Command

The Secretary of War was questioned by the ARMY AND NAVY JOURNAL at his press conference, 23 March, about the recent dispatch from overseas, which stated that at the time of the accidental shooting down of transport planes in Sicily, the Army and Navy were under joint command, while the Air Forces operated separately.

The Secretary replied as follows:

"I am very glad that you asked that question because I would like to stress in my answer the damage that an erroneous statement can do in influencing public thought. That small statement influenced reputable journalists in their writing and the fact that the question was asked here indicates that it has influenced many in their thoughts."

"The statement that the Air Forces operated separately in the Sicilian landing operation or in any other joint operation in this war is untrue and is a complete disservice to the fine men of the Army Air Forces."

"The loss of the planes in the case you mentioned resulted from a combination of circumstances that may occur in spite of the best laid and most meticulous planning. I know of no more complicated operation in war than an amphibious operation at night involving not only sea and ground personnel, but airborne troops as well. In this operation, the orders for air support and air force transport of ground troops were integrated in the general plan of operations just as closely as those for the ground and sea units. This plan necessarily involved the hazards inherent to flying at night in unfavorable weather over thousands of our own Army and Navy water craft which were abnormally alert to repel hostile attack from the air while they were in that vulnerable position—we sometimes call their attitude being trigger-conscious. On this occasion these inevitable hazards were also complicated by the fact that some bombs were dropped among our shipping from German planes which apparently, purely by accident, passed over at almost the same time as our own planes, thus the fact that our planes were subjected to fire from friendly sources was one of those terrible hazards that must be taken in any bold, complicated modern maneuver such as we had off the coast of Sicily."

"The blame, if we must highlight censure for every unfortunate circumstance in the war, most certainly does not lie with the pilots of those transport planes who were carrying their human cargo under orders laid down for them by a completely unified high command."

"It should be apparent in what I say that a complete explanation of the circumstances cannot be given without also giving the enemy a blueprint of the operation, its timing, distribution of orders, method of identification, etc. However, I wish to emphatically scotch here and now the misstatement of that correspondent who did such a complete disservice to a splendid air force."

## Put Wasps in AAF

After hearing General Henry H. Arnold, Commanding General, Army Air Forces, testify that he wanted women pilots under military control so that he could free as many airmen as possible for overseas duty, the House Military Affairs Committee this week reported legislation which would place the Women's Air Force Service Pilots (Wasps) into the Army.

The bill, H. R. 4219, introduced by Representative Costello, Calif., last month, would authorize ranks from flight officer to colonel, in the Army Air Forces, for women pilots. There would be only one colonel, presumably Miss Jacqueline Cochran, now director of the Wasps. Not less than 95 per cent of the commissioned officers would have to be licensed pilots, and officers and flight

officers, as well as aviation students, would be appointed in the Army of the United States with all rights, privileges and benefits of other members of the AUS. Wasps now receive \$250 a month, the new bill thus proposing substantial pay increases, since the women would, of course, receive flight pay.

The AAF women would confine their duties to the United States, leaving male pilots to ferry planes overseas. Their duties would be the same as those now performed by the Wasps.

General Arnold stated that he "expects to replace every man whose permanent duty is flying in the United States and get them overseas."

A considerable portion of the air chief's testimony was devoted to an explanation of the disposition being made of male instructors and trainers, now rendered surplus with the curtailing of the flying training program. Criticism has been voiced over the training of Wasps and Waafs for work which could well be done by trained airline pilots not acceptable to the AAF and not needed in curtailed commercial operations.

"Every man with any flying experience will be given a chance to qualify as pilot, co-pilot, navigator or bombardier," General Arnold stated. He said that if they do not qualify under present standards they will be released.

"We cannot lower our standards because a man has had a few flying hours," he declared. At the same time he revealed that the Army Air Forces took only those flyers who were under 38 years of age, but that the great majority of instructions now had a military status.

The number of women flying for the AAF will be increased, if the bill becomes law, he stated, and the training center at Sweetwater will be enlarged and possibly others opened.

In a letter to the House Military Committee endorsing the Costello bill, the Secretary of War stated that a separate corps was not desirable, and "the important element of morale of women pilots will be adversely affected by incorporation of this personnel into the Women's Army Corps."

Reminding that women doctors were incorporated directly into the Medical Corps, the Secretary said: "To flying personnel, membership in the Air Forces carries with it a natural and proper pride and a sense of participation in their flying activity."

## Gen. Patch Succeeds Gen. Patton

Following dispatches from Allied Headquarters at Naples that Maj. Gen. Alexander M. Patch, Jr., USA, had succeeded Lt. Gen. George S. Patton, USA, as commanding general of the Seventh Army, the War Department here let it be known that General Patton had been put in command of "Another Army."

While Army officials declined to identify Patton's new command, it was assumed that it is connected with plans for the invasion of western Europe. If this is so, it would indicate that the United States now has at least one Army or-

ganized as such in Britain. The only Armies identified as being abroad are the Fifth and Seventh in the Mediterranean Theater, and the Sixth in the Southwest Pacific.

General Patton, who led the Seventh Army to victory in Sicily, was recently rebuked by General Dwight D. Eisenhower for slapping hospitalized enlisted men. The Secretary of War said at his press conference this week, however, that he considers the "face slapping" incident closed and that it had no bearing on the transfer of General Patton.

## Ft. Knox Exec. Transferred

Col. Charles W. Seifert, Fort Knox post executive officer for the past two years, has been transferred to headquarters Fifth Service Command, Fort Hayes, where he will become director, military personnel on the staff of Maj. Gen. James L. Collins, commanding the service command.

Col. Lawrence G. Forsythe, who has been acting post inspector at Fort Knox in the absence of Lt. Col. George L. McElroy, has assumed the position of post executive.

## Underage WACS

The War Department has amended existing regulations by providing in circular No. 96 that the discharge of any enlisted women of the Women's Army Corps who is found to be under the age of 20 is mandatory.

Discharge will be effected under the provisions of AR 615-300 except that the written request of parent, guardian, or next of kin for the discharge of the enlisted woman will not be required. The parents, guardian, or next of kin of the enlisted women will be notified of the discharge and the reason therefor.

## Retired Pay Bill Passed Over

The House of Representatives passed over on a routine calendar call this week, the bill (HR.1675) that provides that enlisted personnel and warrant officers, heretofore or hereafter retired, whose service beyond the continental limits of the United States between 1898 and 1912 has been computed as double time toward retirement, shall receive the maximum pay now provided for the grade in which they were retired.

## Navy Nominations

Rear Adm. Robert C. Giffen, USN, was nominated to the Senate this week for appointment as temporary vice admiral while serving as commander of the Caribbean Sea Frontier.

The Senate at the same time confirmed the nominations listed on page 842 of the 18 March issue of the ARMY AND NAVY JOURNAL. Included were temporary promotion of Captains Thomas L. Sprague, Allan E. Smith and Robert W. Halzer to rear admiral, appointments as officers of 57 warrant and commissioned warrant officers who passed competitive examinations last year, and appointments of other persons in the Regular Navy.

## Commands India-China ATC

Brig. Gen. Thomas O. Hardin has assumed command of the India-China wing of the Air Transport Command. He succeeds Brig. Gen. Earl S. Hoag, who is returning to Washington for an unannounced assignment.

General Hardin had been in command of the eastern sector of the India-China route.

## To Make Good Conduct Medals

Manufacture of the good conduct medal has been authorized by the War Department.

Heretofore, only the ribbon of the medal has been authorized to be worn.

The Quartermaster General is procuring stocks of the medal, as well as ribbon and clasps, for distribution on requisition of commanding officers.

## New Duties for Adm. Standley

Dispatches from Le Mesa, Calif., this week quoted Admiral William H. Standley, USN-Ret., as stating that he may leave here next month for Washington to accept a confidential assignment, probably with another government agency.

Admiral Standley recently recovered from a five weeks' siege of pneumonia at the San Diego Naval Hospital.

## Asst. C. of S., Ground Forces

Brigadier Gen. Loyal M. Haynes, USA, has been assigned Assistant Chief of Staff, G-4, at Headquarters, Army Ground Forces.

General Haynes succeeds Brig. Gen. William G. Walker, USA, who has served as Assistant Chief of Staff, G-4, at Headquarters, AGF, since March, 1942. General Walker will receive an unannounced assignment.

## Endorses Army Day

Admiral Ernest J. King, in a letter to Brig. Gen. Albert L. Cox, commander-in-chief of the Military Order of the World Wars, cited the celebration on 6 April as Army Day as "an opportunity to review the past successes of the Army, and also, to recall the 'team work' between the Army and the Navy."

## Lt. Col. Demarest Assigned

Appointment of Lt. Col. James V. Demarest, Q.M.C., as Director of Procurement at the Jersey City Quartermaster Depot was announced 19 March by Col. George F. Spann, Q.M.C., Commanding Officer. Colonel Demarest replaces Lt. Colonel Francis G. Cosmen, Q.M.C., who has been assigned other duties.

## DELIVERY OF A & N JOURNAL

The Army and Navy Journal is deposited in the mails on Friday evening of each week in accordance with the schedules observed over the years. If there be delays in its receipt it is due to the heavy demands imposed upon war time transportation. As we are helpless, we ask subscribers instead of writing to us, to cooperate in case of undue delay, by making inquiry at their local post office or station.





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## Officers Blamed for High Costs

Recommendations have been made for the specifications of charges for the trial by court martial of two officers for allegedly spending too much money on the construction of officers' quarters at the Red River Ordnance Depot in Texas, the War Department notified the Truman Investigating Committee this week.

Last October the committee called the War Department's attention to a report received from an employee of the Red River Ordnance Depot alleging high expenditures in the construction of officers' quarters there. The War Department, in a letter which the committee made public this week, has replied as follows:

"A thorough investigation of this matter has been made by an officer of the Inspector General's Department who made a detailed report. The report may be briefly summarized as follows:

"The allegations made to you by the employee of the Red River Ordnance Depot are substantially correct. In April 1943, Col. Raymond Marsh, Ord. Dept., Post Commander, directed Maj. John W. Copeland, CE, Post Engineer, to move and renovate temporary structures left by the contractor for use as Family Type Officers' Quarters. Three such quarters were constructed under a so-called process of renovation, involving an estimated expenditure of between \$20,000 and \$21,000 from Repair and Utilities funds, exclusive of the value of salvage or surplus materials used. Both Colonel Marsh and Major Copeland were aware that current instructions to Post Commanders were being grossly violated in that the cost of each of these quarters would be far greater than the limitations of \$7,500, which had been placed on new construction, and \$1,000, which had been placed on the use of Repair and Utilities funds, and that these limitations could not be exceeded without approval of higher authority.

"About the same time, Colonel Marsh requested the Chief of Ordnance to secure authority for construction of nine additional sets of quarters. Prior to completion of action on his request, Colonel Marsh commenced construction of the quarters intended for his use and, notwithstanding the subsequent disapproval of his request by the Commanding General, Army Service Forces, completed this house, which, altogether, entailed an expenditure of funds estimated to be between \$18,000 and \$20,000, exclusive of the value of soldier labor and salvage and surplus materials used.

"The quality of construction on each of these projects was more elaborate than that provided by original construction at Red River Ordnance Depot or than was necessary

or contemplated under war-time construction policies. A portion of the materials and labor used on these projects was charged to legitimate activities, and new materials were utilized under the classification of "Salvage" in order to avoid any accounting for their value. As a result, the recorded costs of these projects were only a part of their actual costs.

"In addition to the report which is summarized above, the investigating officer has submitted recommendations with a view to the correction of unsatisfactory conditions found to exist at the Red River Ordnance Depot and for the specification of charges for the trial by court-martial of Colonel Marsh and Major Copeland for offenses arising out of these and other matters developed during the course of the investigation. These recommendations have received the approval of the Inspector General and of the Office of the Under Secretary of War."

## New Signal Corps "Unit" System

With expanding operations on all fronts and heavy demands for trained replacements and new units, the Signal Corps is putting into operation a new "cellular unit" training plan under which flexible tables of organization have been set up to fit specific needs of various theaters.

In the early days of the war the Signal Corps, as well as the other arms and services, was able to function adequately by using standard tables of organization which contained the amount of equipment and the personnel necessary to perform definite tasks.

As the military missions changed and Signal Corps men were serving in all parts of the world, Special Tables of Organization were made up to cover the diverse demands of each theater, whether for North Africa and Italy, where large scale operations were in process, or in the Pacific, where smaller units worked more effectively.

As a preliminary step, aircraft warning units were set up on what was called a team plan, by which flexible tables of organization could be made up to fit specific needs of the theaters. An organization of this type could be of any size instead of having a required overall number of personnel. Based on the successful experience with aircraft warning units, the cellular plan was put into operation, and the Signal Corps is now using Tables of Organization made up of approximately 75 different sized units which range from a team of 3 enlisted men to one composed of 6 officers and 81 enlisted men. There are teams for Radio Intelligence, Platoon Headquarters, Cable, Mobile Radio, Direction Finding, Crystal Grinding, Repair and Maintenance, and for every other military activity required of the Signal Corps.

A good feature of the cellular plan is the fact that each team is trained and assigned as a more or less independent unit. The men who make up a radio maintenance team are trained together and work together as a team wherever they are assigned, and the same procedure is adopted for other teams. The result is that such cellular units work together more effectively, and with increased efficiency and morale, and, in many cases with fewer personnel than was possible before this method was adopted.

Theater commanders, in order to meet their needs, now may order tailor-made units, composed of any number or type of cellular teams, organized under the new Cellular Team Table of Organization, or may requisition the standardized organizations which have stood the test of time, knowing that a stream-lined training program is geared up to meet contingencies.

## Confirm Medical General

The nomination of Col. Stanhope Bayne-Jones, a lieutenant colonel in the Medical Corps Reserve, to be a temporary brigadier general, was reported on 20 March by the Senate Military Committee and his immediate confirmation followed. The new brigadier general, who is a member of the Typhus Commission, was one of 71 officers nominated 3 March for promotion to general officer grades. The other nominations were confirmed week before last, but Colonel Bayne-Jones' nomination was held up at the request of Senator Bridges.

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## UNITED STATES ARMY

## Army Judge Advocates Meet

A three day conference for judge advocates was held 15, 16 and 17 March at the Judge Advocate General's School, Ann Arbor, Mich. Maj. Gen. Myron C. Cramer, The Judge Advocate General of the Army, presided. The conference was opened by an address of welcome by Dr. Alexander G. Ruthven, President of the University of Michigan. Col. Edward H. Young, Commandant of the Judge Advocate General's School, also greeted the delegates.

Among the more than 75 high ranking officers attending the conference were Brig. Gen. Thomas H. Green, and Brig. Gen. John F. Weir, both Assistant Judge Advocate Generals; Gen. Adam Richmond, Staff Judge Advocate of the North African Theatre of Operations; Brig. Gen. Blackshear M. Bryan, Jr., Assistant The Provost Marshal General; Brig. Gen. Lawrence H. Hedrick, Air Judge Advocate; Brig. Reginald J. Orde, Judge Advocate of all armed forces of Canada, also attended the sessions.

The purpose of the meeting was to review present procedures, policies and problems and to discuss future aims. Lt. Col. Howard A. Brundage, Control Officer of the Judge Advocate General's Department, was conference manager, and Maj. Joseph Dainow, recorder.

Subjects of lectures included: Civil Affairs by Col. Charles P. Burnett, GSC, Chief, Government Branch, Civil Affairs Division, War Department; Prisoners of War by General Bryan; International Law Problems and Legal Aspects of Prisoners of War and War Criminals by Col. Archibald King, Chief, War Plans Division, the Judge Advocate General's Office; Branch Offices and Theatre Headquarters, and Military Justice in a Combat Zone, both by Gen. Richmond; Military Justice and Court-Martial Procedure by Col. James E. Morrisette, Assistant Judge Advocate General; Clemency in the Administration of Military Justice by Col. Marion Rushton, Office of the Under Secretary of War; Rehabilitation Centers by Col. Philip J. McCook, Military Justice Division, JAGO, and Lt. Col. Lawrence Jones, AUS, Assistant to Deputy Chief of Staff for Service Commands; Legal Assistance by Col. Julien C. Hyer, Staff Judge Advocate, Eighth Service Command.

Other topics and speakers were: Claims by Col. Ralph G. Boyd, Chief, Claims Division, JAGO, Col. Rushton and Gen. Richmond; Air Force Problems by Gen. Hedrick, Col. Franklin Shaw, Staff Judge Advocate, Hq. AAF Materiel Command.

Ground Force Problems, Col. Robert V. Laughlin, Staff Judge Advocate, Second Army; Service Command Problems, Col. Guy Kinman, Staff Judge Advocate, Sixth Service Command, and Col. Thomas J. White, Staff Judge Advocate, Ninth Service Command; Personnel by Col. Robert M. Springer, Assistant Judge Advocate General; Military Affairs by Col. Irvin Schindler, Chief, Military Affairs Division, JAGO; Taxes affecting War Department Agencies, Maj. Thomas G. Carney, Tax Division, JAGO; Contract Termination by Col. R. Ammi Cutter, GSC, Chief Legal Branch, Office of Director of Materiel, Hq. Army Service Forces.

## Wounded Told of Campaigns

American soldiers, wounded in engagements of which they seldom had more than the narrowest view because of the necessarily complex nature of modern warfare, are to be given complete military stories of those actions and of campaigns they comprised.

The result of a visit to wounded soldiers in hospitals by General George C. Marshall, Chief of Staff, United States Army, a series of illustrated pamphlets, "American Forces in Action," is to be distributed to wounded fighting men in hospitals in the United States and overseas. The first in the series, "To Bizerte With the II Corps," details the last phase, 23 April-13 May 1943, of the II Corps' success against the Afrika Korps in Tunisia. General Marshall prepared a foreword for the book.

## Army Casualties

The War Department this week announced the names of 244 officers and enlisted men killed in action, 1,733 wounded in action and 856 missing in action.

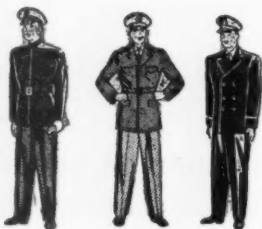
The officers and upper three grades of enlisted personnel listed as killed are as follows:

KILLED IN ASIATIC AREA	
Officer Personnel	
2d Lt. I. Isreal	
KILLED IN EUROPEAN AREA	
Officer Personnel	
2d Lt. E. R. Clement	2d Lt. L. H. Feingold
1st Lt. J. A. Mac-	2d Lt. H. J. Hanson
Donald	2d Lt. F. Capobianco
Enlisted Personnel	
1st Lt. L. M. Gross	
S.Sgt. C. G. Koval	T.Sgt. E. G. Grop-
S.Sgt. J. E. McGlone	man
S.Sgt. D. A. Barker	S.Sgt. F. G. Landis
S.Sgt. R. W. Ander-	S.Sgt. C. J. Buehler
son	T.Sgt. C. R. Javick
KILLED IN MEDITERRANEAN AREA	
Officer Personnel	
1st Lt. R. E. Long-	1st Lt. L. R. Caywood
streth	1st Lt. S. J. Yar-
1st Lt. O. E. Taylor	borough, Jr.
2d Lt. L. B. Case, Jr.	1st Lt. H. R. Jordan
2d Lt. W. L. McAr-	1st Lt. S. M. Bruce
thur	1st Lt. G. R. Crick
2d Lt. J. B. Beld	1st Lt. R. S. Dudley
Capt. K. E. Midkiff	Maj. V. C. Fields, Jr.
Enlisted Personnel	
S.Sgt. J. A. Domingo,	S.Sgt. R. J. Brook-
Jr.	over
S.Sgt. R. E. DeWolf	S.Sgt. J. J. Chaszar
S.Sgt. R. Bailey	S.Sgt. H. H. Cordes
S.Sgt. C. O. Wellin-	T.Sgt. J. L. Hern
ton	S.Sgt. J. A. Meehan
S.Sgt. C. J. Chandler	S.Sgt. H. A. Myers
S.Sgt. L. C. Caine	S.Sgt. J. A. Terquino
S.Sgt. W. M. Daniels	S.Sgt. D. G. Biedone
T.Sgt. C. O. Milton	T.Sgt. A. C. Holtquist
S.Sgt. J. R. Brown-	T.Sgt. J. B. Bunch
back	S.Sgt. J. C. Jones
S.Sgt. S. P. Blackwell	1st Sgt. W. E. Pruitt
S.Sgt. E. L. Klaus	S.Sgt. A. L. Carroll
S.Sgt. A. S. Holliday	S.Sgt. M. D. Dubinski
KILLED IN SOUTHWEST PACIFIC AREA	
Officer Personnel	
2d Lt. H. S. Tolen	
Enlisted Personnel	
S.Sgt. M. P. Schussman	

Officers included in the lists of wounded and missing are as follows:

WOUNDED IN ASIATIC AREA	
1st Lt. H. S. Sutphen	1st Lt. F. F. Burgett
1st Lt. J. J. Heffer-	1st Lt. K. A. Hardy
nan, Jr.	1st Lt. K. W. Foster
WOUNDED IN CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA	
2d Lt. H. C. Taylor,	Capt. A. L. Pence, Jr.
WOUNDED IN EUROPEAN AREA	
2d Lt. R. M. Cantrell	1st Lt. J. J. Schadege
2d Lt. E. C. Blum	1st Lt. W. Camp, III
2d Lt. C. J. Bland	Capt. I. S. Bitter
1st Lt. F. W. Turbyne	1st Lt. P. R. Breeding
2d Lt. L. D. McFad-	2d Lt. J. B. Ratay
den	2d Lt. A. A. Ramsey
2d Lt. R. W. Brown,	2d Lt. J. R. Simon-
WOUNDED IN MEDITERRANEAN AREA	
Maj. G. C. Truman	2d Lt. C. F. Tre-
1st Lt. K. R. Robb	malgia

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2d Lt. F. G. Nordstrom  
Maj. E. W. Amick  
2d Lt. M. L. Brown  
2d Lt. W. A. Smith  
1st Lt. J. W. Solch  
2d Lt. P. Castoldi  
1st Lt. G. C. Smith  
1st Lt. E. F. O'Brien  
Capt. H. D. Shapiro  
Capt. B. G. Simms  
2d Lt. J. C. Ryan  
2d Lt. M. Skalovsky  
2d Lt. J. E. Turner  
1st Lt. H. A. Vollbrecht  
2d Lt. J. R. Stewart  
2d Lt. N. E. Brown  
2d Lt. J. A. Space  
2d Lt. D. M. Walker  
2d Lt. M. C. Rosch  
Col. P. K. Sauer  
1st Lt. H. C. Wehde, Jr.  
2d Lt. D. V. Demenees  
1st Lt. F. E. Pump  
2d Lt. R. L. Kramer  
2d Lt. C. W. Edger-ton  
Capt. H. M. Jordan  
2d Lt. G. D. Bowers  
1st Lt. R. C. Swindler  
2d Lt. H. N. Good-speed, Jr.  
2d Lt. R. W. Smith  
2d Lt. L. P. Elliott  
Capt. W. D. Fraizer  
2d Lt. N. W. Hansen  
2d Lt. W. H. Duna-way  
Capt. S. J. Strickler  
2d Lt. M. B. Bricklin  
2d Lt. R. L. Brown  
Capt. A. P. Brown  
2d Lt. J. M. Paris  
2d Lt. H. A. Marks  
2d Lt. J. P. McCann, Jr.  
2d Lt. G. J. Reynolds

1st Lt. R. L. Hanson  
1st Lt. J. W. Carroll  
1st Lt. F. X. Lambert  
1st Lt. J. E. Colgan  
1st Lt. J. J. Wickham  
2d Lt. J. K. Lindstrom  
2d Lt. J. T. Asher  
2d Lt. J. Lubitz  
2d Lt. L. Montellone  
2d Lt. H. L. Weimer, Jr.  
2d Lt. T. V. Huggins, Jr.  
Capt. L. R. Larson  
2d Lt. Q. T. Herndon  
1st Lt. D. R. Lynch  
2d Lt. A. J. Labasky  
2d Lt. J. F. Lynott  
2d Lt. D. W. Sisco  
2d Lt. G. X. Ferguson  
1st Lt. R. J. Yates  
1st Lt. R. F. Wilkin-son  
2d Lt. C. J. Hagel  
1st Lt. J. M. Bigler  
2d Lt. J. E. Russell  
2d Lt. C. E. Adams  
Lt. Col. F. K. Mearns  
Lt. Col. C. A. Barabe, Jr.  
1st Lt. C. S. Black, Jr.  
2d Lt. R. L. Larson  
2d Lt. S. M. Hancock  
2d Lt. M. C. Lindsley  
1st Lt. E. C. Moloney  
Capt. C. V. McKeen  
2d Lt. A. A. Adams, Jr.  
1st Lt. A. C. Lemieux  
2d Lt. G. L. Odekirk  
2d Lt. John Warhol  
2d Lt. W. J. Becker, Jr.  
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1st Lt. D. Loeb  
1st Lt. A. B. Merchant  
2d Lt. L. D. Ogburn  
1st Lt. R. S. Black  
2d Lt. W. M. Bigham  
Capt. F. G. Lewis  
FO S. G. Bache  
1st Lt. H. L. Banton

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Capt. R. G. Huff  
2d Lt. E. J. Kirkland  
MISSING IN CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA  
2d Lt. R. H. Knight  
MISSING IN EUROPEAN AREA  
Capt. C. E. Jackson  
1st Lt. D. H. Ross  
1st Lt. R. G. Bingham  
1st Lt. D. M. Hurl-burt  
1st Lt. J. J. Stahl, Jr.  
1st Lt. E. B. Kidd  
2d Lt. A. L. Claple  
2d Lt. P. T. Wright  
2d Lt. G. J. Wachal  
Maj. W. C. Beckham  
1st Lt. R. I. Reed  
2d Lt. A. E. Scoggins  
1st Lt. H. H. Wilson  
2d Lt. F. M. Stegall  
2d Lt. H. J. Jensen  
1st Lt. J. G. Burke  
2d Lt. L. A. Argen-bright  
2d Lt. L. T. Arm-strong  
2d Lt. C. J. Flynn, Jr.  
2d Lt. J. H. Johnson  
2d Lt. C. E. Faller  
1st Lt. E. G. Stiff  
2d Lt. J. J. Kelley  
Capt. G. D. Binks  
2d Lt. W. R. Blake-man  
2d Lt. W. Borrego  
1st Lt. O. B. Cornwell  
2d Lt. E. A. Evans  
2d Lt. M. G. Helyar  
2d Lt. D. W. Carr  
2d Lt. D. J. Carroll  
1st Lt. K. J. Cogswell  
2d Lt. H. Beedle  
1st Lt. A. R. Boyle  
2d Lt. G. L. Carter  
2d Lt. L. M. Clausen  
2d Lt. J. E. Wood  
2d Lt. R. B. Bangs  
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2d Lt. W. R. Wheeler  
2d Lt. F. S. Porter

1st Lt. R. E. Lewis  
1st Lt. E. R. Cavin  
2d Lt. T. E. Jackson  
2d Lt. L. E. Shealy  
1st Lt. W. H. Fletcher  
2d Lt. L. Espinosa  
2d Lt. H. R. Greenup  
2d Lt. J. L. Becker  
2d Lt. C. M. Betzel  
2d Lt. M. I. Ruther-ford  
2d Lt. W. G. Rich-ardson  
2d Lt. A. S. Batson  
2d Lt. M. G. Kirko-rian  
2d Lt. C. A. Gouger  
2d Lt. T. VonHolz-hausen  
2d Lt. D. C. Alexan-der  
2d Lt. R. R. Bale  
FO J. Cuthbertson  
2d Lt. B. G. Beau-clair  
2d Lt. R. G. Jorgen-sen  
2d Lt. J. E. Cher-hosky  
2d Lt. F. B. Gatens  
2d Lt. M. S. Green-berg  
2d Lt. D. B. Nazez-rett  
2d Lt. J. G. Riley, Jr.  
2d Lt. A. L. Wickman  
2d Lt. W. E. Knox, Jr.  
2d Lt. J. R. Boswell  
2d Lt. L. R. Frazier  
2d Lt. R. Q. Kiser  
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2d Lt. E. F. Bracken  
2d Lt. M. J. Shones-ky  
2d Lt. G. W. Vogle  
2d Lt. T. P. Reynolds  
2d Lt. E. A. Thomp-son

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2d Lt. U. F. Cavaletto  
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2d Lt. D. D. Living-ston  
2d Lt. H. E. Scar-borough  
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2d Lt. E. B. Hanley  
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2d Lt. J. T. Mc-Vicars, Jr.  
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2d Lt. L. F. Madden  
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1st Lt. C. A. Randall  
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2d Lt. W. G. Staley  
2d Lt. G. E. Carney  
1st Lt. J. R. Space  
1st Lt. W. C. Forbush  
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2d Lt. J. A. Kappel  
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2d Lt. C. S. Albright  
2d Lt. J. S. Fallon  
2d Lt. H. F. Hartman  
2d Lt. H. M. Price  
2d Lt. F. R. Troxell  
1st Lt. W. D. Walling, Jr.  
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2d Lt. K. L. Minch  
MISSING IN SOUTHWEST PACIFIC AREA  
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1st Lt. G. W. Dixon  
1st Lt. D. V. Riley

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1st Lt. E. K. Robin-son  
1st Lt. Louis Valls  
2d Lt. W. Legg  
2d Lt. R. N. Winter  
1st Lt. P. D. Beall, Jr.  
2d Lt. O. G. Hamlin  
2d Lt. B. L. Barker, Jr.

## Join XXII Corps Hq.

Three colonels, West Point graduates, and a captain recently joined the XXII Corps headquarters at Camp Campbell, Ky. They are:

Col. Charles F. Colson, class of November, 1918, assigned as deputy chief of staff; Col. Warren W. Christian, class of June, 1919, named assistant chief of staff, G-3; Col. Forrest C. Shaffer, class of August, 1917, assigned as the corps ordnance officer, and Capt. Edwin A. Sterns, assigned to the G-1 Section.

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## Adm. Hart Addresses Marines

Stressing that the Navy and Marine Corps should always pull together, Admiral Thomas C. Hart, USN-Ret., member of the Navy General Board, addressed the graduating exercises 22 Mar. at the Marine Officers Candidates' School, Quantico, Va. In his address Admiral Hart said:

There is one thing which will be in your minds though you probably will never voice it. That is fear—how you will react under fire, with death about you. Very few men are without fear or without worry concerning fear. One thing can well be said—the first experience of being shot at is the hard one. You will most probably be afraid but you will be leading men and your reactions to fear must not be adverse. If you get by the first experience successfully, you need not worry about that factor any more. You will then be confident in that respect.

Perhaps another cause for worry will be the old tradition featuring newly joined subalterns and experienced old-line sergeants. To those who have lived through such circumstances, in normal times, that tradition includes one of the finest features of life in the armed services; it is in the form of man-to-man friendships between men of different status.

However, that relationship has been cause for concern to many young officers while they were finding themselves and in the process of establishing themselves in the respect of the men of their units. You need not go to your units with such concern in mind because the old-line sergeants are now distributed so widely that you are not likely to have any of them.

You will go forth from here with far more military education and training than your men will have had. Join your unit with that confidence and lose no time in getting the facts into the consciousness of your men. The rest of it, the art of leading men—and it is far more of an art than it is a science—must come from what is built into you and how well you utilize those natural aptitudes. This is no time or place for trying to add to what you have been taught but here is a little:

Don't pretend too much and bluff along the wrong lines. No one can fool young Americans for very long.

You may be strict and even severe but you must always be fair. The men will stand your being hard-bolled and will even like it if you are not a martinet. My own definition of a martinet is a hard-bolled one who is not fair.

But be likewise strict with yourself. In that, as in other respects, set a proper example. After all is said and done the most effective way of influencing men is through the example set by their leaders.

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Lastly, exercise your sense of humor. Nearly every day brings something to be laughed at and the leader of men who can't or doesn't laugh at the right time bears a heavy handicap.

## Submarine Losses

The loss of United States submarines as announced by the Navy Department since 7 Dec., 1941, now totals 23. Of these the S-26 and the R-12 were not lost through enemy action. The Sealion was destroyed to prevent capture at Cavite.

The names and year in which these losses were announced are as follows:

1942  
S-26 Perch  
Sealion Gruinon  
Shark

1943  
Argonaut Grenadier  
Amberjack Dorado  
Grampus Runner  
R-12 Wahoo  
Triton Grayling  
Pickrel

1944  
Pompano Capelin  
Cisno Sculpin  
Corvina Scorpion

On the other hand, Japanese losses show 657 sinkings by submarines alone and a total of 2,024 sunk or damaged by American forces since the beginning of the war. Of these, 1,135 have been destroyed or damaged by naval sea or air action. Most of the remainder were victims of Army Aircraft.

The Japanese losses due to American action of all types are as follows:

Combatant vessels—  
Sunk—Battleships, 3; carriers, 6; cruisers, 52; destroyers, 128; submarines, 14; tenders, 5; other warships, 47. Total, 255.

Probably sunk—Carriers, 1; cruisers, 5; destroyers, 18; submarines, 1; tenders, 4; others, 4. Total, 30.

Damaged—Battleships, 10; carriers, 7; cruisers, 101; destroyers, 137; submarines, 8; tenders, 9; others, 34. Total, 306.

Noncombatant vessels—  
Sunk—Fleet tankers, 79; transports, 107; cargo-supply, 493; miscellaneous, 153. Total, 819.

Probably sunk—Fleet tankers, 4; transports, 13; cargo-supply, 52; miscellaneous, 10. Total, 79.

Damaged—Fleet tankers, 30; transports, 43; cargo-supply, 263; miscellaneous, 184. Total, 520.

## Navy Chaplains Graduated

The graduation exercises of Class 2-44 was held at the Naval Chaplains' School, Williamsburg, Va., on 12 March. The address of the occasion was delivered by Dr. Kenneth I. Brown, President of Denison University.

The graduates were:

Burns, John J. Morrison, William A.  
Collins, Claude R. Murray, Philip G.  
Culley, Erwin G. Ruderman, Samuel S.  
Kilham, James F. Sanders, Paul S.  
Kleman, Sylvester H. Scally, Harold J.  
McPherson, John B. Schmidding, Charles S.  
Manwell, Richard F. Smith, Marlin E.  
Massengale, Robert G.

Chaplains assistants graduated were:

Brady, Owen W. Rodgers, James B.  
Charlesworth, Rex W. Rosenkrans, R. W.  
Davies, William H. Schroth, Paul W.  
Groeling, William K. Schroth, Paul P.  
Kinzel, John L. Springer, William H.  
Lindsey, Marietta K. Stephens, Genter Lee.  
Nalle, William T. Storer, Richard S.  
Newell, Robert G. Wilson, William E.  
Phillips, Jack MacD. Zimmer, Edward W.  
Robertson, A. MacF.

## Comdr. Stassen's Candidacy

In a letter to the Secretary of the Navy, Lt. Comdr. Harold E. Stassen, USNR, formerly governor of Minnesota and now flag secretary on Admiral Halsey's staff, asserted that he will not seek the Republican presidential nomination, but will accept it if offered.

Following is the text of the letter, which Mr. Knox read at his press conference 21 March:

"In recent weeks there have been numerous questions by representatives of the press in the South Pacific as to my attitude toward the current inclusion of my name in the Presidential nomination discussions.

"The same questions have been raised in the public press on the mainland accompanied by an increasing amount of conjecture and speculation and attempt at interpretation and misinterpretation.

"I have therefore concluded that it is desirable and in the best interests of my naval service that my position be clearly, concisely, promptly and publicly stated.

"In reply to the questions that are being asked as to my attitude toward the current inclusion of my name in the Presidential nomination discussion, I will frankly and directly state my position:

"I do not seek and will do nothing personally to secure the nomination. If notwithstanding this position I were to be nominated, I would consider it to be my plain duty to accept and would do so, requesting inactive duty for a sufficient time to discuss with the people the issues and problems of the future.

"I wish to make it equally clear that I will make no statement on political issues while on active duty, that I do not wish any publicity of my activities in the Navy to be used in a political manner, and that no one is authorized to make personal commitments on my behalf.

## Sea Service Casualties

Casualties in the Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard announced from 18 March to 23 March, include the following:

**DEAD**  
**OFFICER PERSONNEL**  
U. S. Naval Reserve  
Lt. (jg) C. L. Bjork Ens. M. H. Bergmaier  
Lt. (jg) R. C. Clem Lt. (jg) K. E. Chap-  
man  
Lt. (jg) E. C. Cargile Lt. (jg) B. F. Farber,  
jr.  
Lt. (jg) G. J. Agar  
Lt. (jg) S. W. McGurk Ens. L. A. Matthews  
U. S. Marine Corps Reserve  
2d Lt. B. C. Sanders Maj. H. E. Stewart

**ENLISTED PERSONNEL**  
U. S. Navy  
AR1c Thomas Panno AK2c E. A. O'Rourke  
Sic A. V. Moscaritolo AO1c J. J. Gamel  
CFC R. J. Phelps CCS C. S. Gerdon  
CWT A. L. Svec MM1c E. R. Niess  
PhM3c R. R. Loomis

**U. S. Naval Reserve**  
MMM2c O. P. Conly CM2c V. R. Good-  
speed  
Sic J. A. Iannelli S2c A. D. Anderson  
\*EM3 L. E. Overby S2c M. J. Harris  
Sic P. A. Huff S2c G. G. Hill  
Fic R. M. Stallins FC3c W. R. Mitchell  
S2c H. R. Benjamin BM1c C. A. Billing-  
ham  
MM2c Q. D. Conner AR2c T. G. Towle  
S2c G. E. Brose FC3c M. R. Windrose  
AR2c G. B. Cobbe PM1c R. I. Michaud  
AR3c A. C. Czerwiec EM1c Edward Shields  
EM2c T. H. Bowen S2c H. R. Winters  
EM1c W. H. Lear  
CM2c J. F. McHugh, jr.  
Sgm2c Bern Bennett  
Sic R. E. Hubbard  
Sic P. R. Hubbard

**U. S. Marine Corps**  
Cpl P. A. York Sgt E. J. Castro  
Sgt R. R. Venezia Svt A. G. Popkin  
Cpl R. W. Lide GSgt J. J. Doyle, jr.  
Cpl B. L. Ash SSgt W. W. Lee, jr.  
Pfc R. E. Buck Pfc W. R. Marion  
Cpl E. J. Bankowski Cpl W. F. Carmichael  
Pfc J. W. Foster Sgt W. A. Thompson  
Pfc A. C. Graham Pfc J. E. Hennis  
T-Sgt G. W. McGeligan Pfc L. E. Van Ness  
Pfc J. F. Sherwin

**U. S. Marine Corps Reserve**  
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Pfc E. M. Overstreet Pvt E. McKeon, jr.  
Pfc R. E. Schenck Cpl. R. Sandstad  
Pfc C. W. Lucas Pvt W. D. Ray  
Pfc R. F. O'Toole Pfc R. J. Ost  
Pfc Floyd Osborne Cpl E. Jung  
Pfc G. C. Martin Pfc G. Hedley  
Cpl C. E. Davis

**U. S. Marine Corps Reserve**  
MISSING  
Maj. R. L. Anderson 2d Lt. B. L. Lassiter  
**U. S. Navy**

**U. S. Naval Reserve**  
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ler, jr. Lt. (jg) C. A. Taylor  
Ens. J. M. Edwards Ens. V. D'Haringue,  
jr.  
Lt. (jg) L. H. Engle Lt. (jg) N. B. Birkes  
Lt. J. L. Williams, jr. Ens. L. T. Pastarik  
Lt. (jg) C. W. Quigle Ens. C. M. Corbett, jr.  
Lt. R. L. North, jr. Ens. J. S. Adkins  
Lt. (jg) D. C. Kane Ens. J. R. Ogr  
Lt. (jg) J. E. Goodrich Ens. L. L. Cox, jr.  
Ens. K. L. Bowman Lt. J. E. Bridges

**U. S. Marine Corps Reserve**  
1st Lt. H. L. Corneliuss 1st Lt. W. K. Harris  
1st Lt. J. M. Sanders 1st Lt. N. L. Niece, jr.  
Capt. J. E. Desoucey

\*Previously reported missing.

## Seabees Bn., Cited

Battling heavy seas which had piled a U. S. Navy net layer hard on the rocky Aleutian shore, a Seabee battalion carried 1,000 feet of steel cable to the ship, rigged a breeches buoy and rescued the 50-man crew, it was revealed this week in an official commendation to the Officer in Charge of the unit, Comdr. John P. Roulett (CEC), USNR.

The ship was later brought to port, repaired and returned to duty. The commendation was signed by Comdr. Charles M. Noble, (CEC), USNR.

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## U. S. COAST GUARD

POINTING out that both the Navy and the Army are looking to the Coast Guard to man numbers of their vessels because of the general manpower shortage, the Commandant of the Coast Guard has ordered that his service take all possible steps to make available for duty as many of its personnel as possible.

The Commandant, Vice Adm. Russell R. Waesche, stated that he believed the SPARS can recruit a minimum of 10,000 enlisted women to relieve male personnel ashore.

"Male officers and enlisted men physically unfit for sea duty shall be used on shore assignments to replace able-bodied personnel wherever practicable," Admiral Waesche said. "In the reduction of personnel on Beach Patrol, Port Security and other shore activities, the reduction shall be made by withdrawing able-bodied men and placing them in training for sea duty, leaving those who are physically unqualified for sea duty to perform these shore assignments. Reassignment of this latter class of personnel shall be made, where practicable, to relieve able-bodied personnel.

"Even by using SPAR personnel, male personnel physically unfit for sea duty and Volunteer Port Security Forces to the greatest extent possible, there will still be ample assignments on shore and in non-combat areas to replace men in combat areas as may be necessary," Admiral Waesche continued.

"The Navy is looking to the Coast Guard from time to time to man more of its ships due to this shortage of manpower," he pointed out. "For the same reason the Army has requested, through the Navy, that the Coast Guard man a number of War Department vessels in the Southwest Pacific."

In another order, Headquarters directed that it be furnished immediately with information as to the number of men available for transfer who have completed sentry dog training and are not qualified for sea duty.

### To Get Training Ship

A Liberty ship that ran aground and had to be decommissioned soon will be turned over to the Coast Guard for use in training personnel in firefighting and safety at sea.

At the request of Admiral Waesche, the SS Gaspar de Portola, now inactive in the James River, will be turned over by the War Shipping Administration to the Fort McHenry, Md., training station of the

Coast Guard for experiments and training seamen in fighting ship fires. Much of the equipment has been salvaged from the vessel, including the boilers, propeller, shafting and auxiliaries, and the vessel will not be capable of self-propulsion. She will be towed to Baltimore.

Having run aground while on her way from Panama to Key West last June the Gaspar de Portola was judged unfit for further sea service.

### Academy Awards Letters

The Coast Guard Academy Athletic Association this week announced the names of 65 cadets who won letters for participation on six winter sports teams.

It also was announced that Cadet George T. Richardson, '46, has been elected captain of next year's boxing team. Manager-elect of the boxing team is Hubert W. Cocklin. Captain and manager, respectively, of next year's wrestling team will be Cadets T. Christopher Changaris and Morgan L. Dring. The rifle team elected Cadet Charles W. Berkman captain.

The names and classes of those awarded letters follow:

Basketball—James E. Anderson, '46, (captain-elect); John M. Austin, '45; Philip N. Chance, '46; Lloyd H. Clark, '47; Harold L. Davison, '45; John M. Dorsey, '45, (captain); Herbert J. Lynch, Jr., '46; William L. Martin, '45; William H. Wallace, '45; William L. Weiss, Jr., '45, and Louis R. Ford, Jr., '45, (manager).

Boxing—Richard L. Bailey, '45; Frank Barnett, '45; William Boswell, '45, (captain); Ralph E. Grosjean, '46; James A. Hodgman, '45; Michael B. Lemly, '47; Albert J. McCullough, '45; Kevin L. Moser, '46; Ralph W. Noisz, '46; Allen C. Pearce, '46; George T. Richardson, '46; Stanley B. Russell, '46; Marion G. Shrode, '45; Raymond B. Starbuck, '45; Peter A. Thistle, '46; John Leland Wright, '47, and Harry N. Jones, II, '45, (manager).

Pistol—William E. Fuller Jr., '45, (captain and manager); Robert D. Johnson, '45; Joseph T. Maher, '45; James E. Murphy, '45; Paul H. Peak, Jr., '45, and Theodore C. Rapalus, '45.

Rifle—Charles W. Berkman, '46, (captain-elect); Harley E. Dlicher, '45, (captain and manager); Joseph K. Everton, '45; Archibald B. How, '47; Richard S. Lodge, '45; Robert D. Winship, '46; Emil M. Valehrach, '47.

Swimming—Henry P. Crawford, '45; Donald B. Crews, '45; Robert J. Donovan, '45, (captain); William L. Faulkenberry, '47; David D. Fritts, '46; Donald J. McCann, '46, (captain-elect); John D. McCann, '45; Warren S. Petterson, '47; Ricardo A. Ratti, '45; Robert N. Rea, '46; Henry A. Streb, '47, and George E. Williams, '45, (manager).

Wrestling—T. Christopher Changaris, '46, (captain-elect); Robert S. Gershko, '47; Philip M. Hildebrandt, '46; Harry J. Kolkebeck, '46; Laurence M. Newkirk, '46; Robert C. Phillips, '45, (captain); Herbert H. Sharpe, Jr., '47; Darrel W. Starr, Jr., '47; John W. Steffey, '47, and Wesley M. Thorsen, '45, (manager).

not commissioned would keep their civil service status.

Vacancies created by the retirement, resignation, death or other separation from the service would operate to increase by one the total authorized number of officers of the Coast Guard. A like increase would occur in the event of a vacancy created by the separation from the service for any cause of personnel who decline a commission.

In computing length of service for purposes of retirement in the Coast Guard, all service in the Bureau of Marine Inspection and Navigation would be included.

### Holcomb Confirmed as Envoy

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"That no man went unfed or unclad, no gun ceased firing for want of ammunition, no aeroplane was grounded for lack of fuel, was the achievement of men in cities as far apart as Washington, New York, London, Cairo and Algiers."—GENERAL SIR HAROLD R. L. G. ALEXANDER.

## OUR PRIORITY LIST

1. Victory.
2. Assurance now that personnel and equipment for our land, sea, and air forces will be maintained after the present war at such strength as the responsible heads of those Services determine necessary to assure this nation against future aggressors.
3. Protection of Service personnel, active and retired, against undue reductions in their pay through imposition of the Victory tax and income taxes.
4. Institution of studies looking toward the protection and development of just post-war systems of promotion for personnel of the permanent establishments.
5. Strengthening of the post war status of the National Guard and Reserves to assure their efficiency and permanency with continuance of full training facilities after the war.
6. Upward revision of pension scales to assure Service widows a living income.
7. Compensation for service personnel who use privately owned automobiles on government business.

WITH wise understanding of American public sentiment and innate regard for American tradition, the House Rules Committee has held in abeyance action upon the bill to create two "Admirals of the Navy." Such a decision was to have been expected of the members of this Committee, all of whom are noted for knowledge of legislative procedure based upon long service in Congress, for their intimate acquaintance with administrative needs, including those of the Services, and for their ability to sense the will of the country. On political proposals, the Committee does not hesitate to divide on strictly party lines, but on matters of National Defense it acts purely from the non-partisan point of view. On numerous occasions in the past, the Committee has reported rules for bills advantageous to the Army or Navy, and likewise has disapproved applications for rules on measures it regarded as harmful. In the case of the Admirals of the Navy bill, the Committee naturally was impressed by the favorable report made by the Naval Committee. However, it realizes that if the measure should become law, the country would be denied the opportunity to confer this highest rank upon the officer or officers who may emerge as the outstanding leaders in the struggle. The committee also knows, as does all of Congress and the people, that Admiral King, one of the proposed beneficiaries of the bill, now is the Commander-in-Chief of the Navy, and it understands that it would make no difference in his command authority, or his status when conferring with foreign officers, whether he retains his present rank or given that proposed. Moreover, it appreciates that the House Military Committee is not disposed to report favorably the Generals of the Armies bill, the rank held only by the great General Pershing, and that, consequently, it would be unfair and cause jealousy and complications to give the naval honor to two naval officers and withhold the equal honor from two Army officers. That strong opposition to the measures exists in the House is shown by the inability of Mr. Vinson to obtain unanimous consent for the consideration of his proposal. Should the Rules Committee continue to fail to grant a rule, Mr. Vinson may attempt to attach his proposal to an appropriation bill, but as it is legislation it clearly would not be germane, and a single objection would cause its rejection. That objection, we may say, is certain to be offered. The fact is Members are impressed with the public opposition against giving these highest rewards until after the war ends, which is continuing to mount. In addition, they feel that tradition must not be disregarded and that the door of highest recognition must be kept open for those who may be deserving of admission to it.

GENERAL Douglas MacArthur, in the views attributed to him in press dispatches this week, sets forth the most logical solution of the service pay situation which has stirred up considerable discussion "down under." According to General MacArthur's spokesman, the answer to the discrepancy is to increase the pay of the Australian service men. This move is more preferable to all concerned than the proposal put forward in the Australian House of Representatives that the United States government limit the pay of service personnel in Australia to that received by the Australian forces, the remainder to be paid on their return to the United States. General MacArthur who knows well the temper of the Australian soldiers and citizenry and who would not do anything to upset the fine relations that have maintained among the allies there, is quoted by his spokesman as being strongly opposed to any such form of pay withholding. In this respect he is in agreement with members of our own legislature who have stated that we can not dictate to our men the manner in which they spend the money to which they are legally entitled. As shown in the table published in the ARMY AND NAVY JOURNAL of 11 March, there is considerable difference between the rate of pay for our soldiers serving overseas and Australian soldiers serving on their own territory. While this situation doubtless leads in some instances to American soldiers showing off by lavish spending in pubs or before girls, it must also be recognized that the bulk of our men do not draw their full pay but only the residue left after deductions have been made for compulsory dependency allotments, voluntary allotments to relatives, insurance, and sizable amounts for war bonds under the pay deduction plan. It is a fundamental principle in our make up that what a man does with his money is his own business and dictation as to his mode of living is repugnant. As far as is consistent with the military organizations, these principles are carried over into war. General MacArthur well knows this and knows that it is the view, too, of most Australians. The solution to the problem, therefore, is to equalize by increasing Australian pay.

## Service Humor

### Just the Surface

First sailor (on first convoy duty): "Did you ever see so much water in all your life?"

Second sailor (a veteran): "You haven't seen nothin'. That's only the top."  
—Sourdough Sentinel.

A minister, traveling on one of those way-trains that stop at every station on the side line, was reading his Bible.

"Find anything about the railroad in that book?" asked the conductor, as he reached for the minister's ticket.

"Yes," replied the minister, "in the very first chapter it says that the Lord made every creeping thing."  
—Contributed.

There's a four-letter word on the envelopes

That service men send to me,  
And at last I know the true meaning of:  
"The best things in life are F-R-E-E."  
—Sourdough Sentinel.

### In His Element

Provost Marshal: "And what did you do when you heard this GI using such language?"

MP: "I told him he wasn't fit to be among decent people, and then I brought him here."  
—Rangefinder.

### Furlough Troubles

Pvt. Lewis Vik, of Henning, Mich., left here on a week's furlough. On the way home his train was snowbound five days at Sanborn, Minn. When the drifts were cleared his train collided with another. Then he lost his ticket. Finally he reached home and wired for an extension of his furlough. When none came he started back. Five hours after beginning his return journey, he received an extension by telephone.  
—Armored News.

Wave: When do you propose to get married?

Chief: Usually after the fourth drink.  
—Skyscrapers.

### Come, All Ye Faithless!

The U. S. Naval Construction Battalion "Sea B Gull" tells the story of a chaplain who was trying to organize a choir with a group of volunteer singers.

"No, no—no," the chaplain interrupted. "Only the tenor sings that part. The rest of you just hum. Now don't forget. The tenor will sing alone until we come to the 'gates of hell.' Then you all come in!"  
—Foreign Service.

### Traditional Okie

A gentleman from Oklahoma was riding on an airplane for the first time. At Phoenix, Arizona, the plane made a beautiful landing, and immediately a little red wagon rushed up to refuel it. Next stop was Fort Worth, and again a little red wagon rushed up. The same thing happened in Nashville. Up dashed the little red wagon and the plane is off again.

Another passenger turned to the gentleman from Oklahoma and remarked: "These planes certainly make wonderful time." The Oklahoman drawled, "That little red wagon isn't doing so bad either."  
—Rangefinder.

## ASK THE JOURNAL

SEND your queries to the ARMY AND NAVY JOURNAL QUESTION EDITOR and an answer will be given in this column as soon as possible after receipt.

H. O. O.—If the officer was receiving or was entitled to commutation pay at the time he was captured or entered a missing status, such pay will continue to be credited to him.

M. A. T.—The only warrant officer eligible list published by the War Department was that printed in our 3 Oct. 1942 issue (copies no longer available). This was not a complete list of all who passed the tests of 3-4 March 1942. You can obtain your current standing in your specialty by writing through channels to The AG. The only grade you can be sure of holding after the war is your permanent appointment as staff sergeant. A very few permanent appointments have been made from the warrant officer eligible lists since the initial appointments in the fall of 1942, probably less than 100 in all.

R. C. P.—As an enlisted man you are entitled only to be retired in the grade you hold at time of retirement, temporary or permanent.

J. M.—Enlisted men who have completed 20 years' service are customarily retired by the Army; they are not discharged. Retired pay is three-fourths of the average monthly base and longevity pay received during the last six months of service. In other words, if you held your present rank for the six months preceding retirement, and earned no new longevity increases, the retired pay would be three-fourths of your monthly pay.

C. J. K.—Sec. 113 of Public Law 753, 77th Congress, "The Revenue Act of 1942," excludes from federal income tax "amounts received as a pension, annuity or similar allowance for personal injuries or sickness resulting from active service in the armed forces of any country." The act was approved 21 Oct. 1942. The act applies to both officers and enlisted men retired for physical disability.

G. E. K.—Assuming that you are retired in your present rank of major, you will count your active and ORC commissioned service for pay purposes, but not—under present law—your 10 years' active National Guard service. This will put your pay back from the fifth to the fourth pay period and reduce your longevity considerably.

Reserve Corps—H. R. 3946, by its terms appears to require two years' active service, in order to entitle one to retired pay. No action has been taken on this bill since its introduction on 11 Jan.

## In The Journal

### One Year Ago

Since conclusion of the Papua campaign our ground forces have steadily infiltrated northward along the coast, successfully clearing the enemy's New Guinea forces from the Ambasi, Kumud and Opi river valleys.

### 10 Years Ago

Col. Lowell B. Wright and Mrs. Wright received the guests at the cadet hop at Cullum Memorial Hall, 17 March, assisted by Cadet Harry E. Lardin, of the First Class.

### 25 Years Ago

Col. Henry H. Arnold, aeronautical inspector for the California district, has assumed command of the Army Air Service Schools at North Island and other points in the vicinity of San Diego, including Rockwell, Ream and East Fields, succeeding Lt. Col. Harvey B. S. Burwell.

### 50 Years Ago

Lt. J. M. R. Taylor, 9th U. S. Inf., has taken charge of recruiting matters at Camp Pilot, Butte, Mont.

### 80 Years Ago

More care is hereafter to be observed in granting leaves of absence or permission for Army officers to visit Washington. They are now required to address for the purpose Major General Halleck, and must specify the business for which they desire the permission.



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**Foreign Affairs**—It is clear that only dire necessity could have forced Hitler's decision to occupy Hungary. Passage of the Dniester by the Red Armies meant the end of the battle in Russia and the beginning of the battle for the Balkans. Continuance in the war demanded German retention of the surplus wheat, minerals and oil of Hungary, and demanded also rigid control of the transport system so essential to the shipment of commodities to the Reich and maintenance of communications between it and its troops in the neighboring states and in the occupied islands in the Aegean Sea. Occupation of the country at least would insure a Quisling Government, and obedience on the part of some of the Hungarian Army to Hitler's will. Further, the menace of a like fate would tend to halt Bulgarian effort to withdraw from the war, and increase the opposition in Turkey to juncture with the United Nations.

Hungary went into the war for profit, and the booty she got with German aid included the Carpatho-Ukraine from Czecho-Slovakia, Transylvania from Roumania, and the Banat from Yugo-Slavia. Thereby her territory was increased from 35,800 square miles with a population of 9,100,000 to 61,700 square miles with a population of 12,700,000. But Horthy, who holds the title of Admiral, although Hungary does not have access to the sea, failed to pay the price Hitler required. Hungarian troops have served in Russia, but not to the extent Der Fuhrer expected. In limiting his assistance, Horthy was actuated by his proclaimed necessity of retaining sufficient forces at home to safeguard the country and to maintain his government. However, need for labor and of exploiting Hungary more thoroughly compelled the German General Staff to insist that this satellite throw all its resources into the conflict, and apparently unwillingness to comply precipitated the action which was taken.

Looking back over what has transpired in the past, the occupation of Hungary would seem to have been inevitable. Once Poland was overrun, the conquest of the Low Countries and France proceeded in rapid succession, Norway's seizure followed the invasion of Denmark, and perhaps Finland would have been brought under domination had she not joined Germany as an ally. When the surrender of Italy was impending, Hitler sent more divisions into that country. Now Hungary has been so treated. The Bulgarian people cannot but fear that having withheld troops from Hitler in his Russian campaign, Hitler will deal with them in like manner. Possibly, to appease the Rumanian people and to induce them to continue in the war, Hungary may be forced to return Transylvania to Roumania, and Bulgaria also may be purchased through territorial concessions. Whatever loot Hitler may distribute, the inescapable fact remains that the Germans are withdrawing to the Carpathians, and the Red Armies consequently are looming more threateningly upon the Balkan horizon. For the Balkan peoples also, there are the realization of Anglo-American control of the Mediterranean, the prospect that with the growing strength of those Allies in that region and the Near East the German occupied Aegean Sea Islands will be seized, and the influence such seizure would exert upon Turkey, and the threat of the landing of our armies in their lands. Germany thus would be threatened from all directions, from the Balkans, from Russia, from England, and from the western Mediterranean. That she has the strength to meet such coordinated assaults no one in the Balkans can believe, and it is not surprising, therefore, that the agitation for peace should be growing to what Hitler regards as serious proportions.

It may be that Hitler moved into Hungary in the belief that such action would intimidate Finland. How anxious that people is for peace is shown by the rejection by their Diet of Russia's terms by a vote of 105 to 80. In other words, a change of 13 votes, or seven per cent of the membership voting, would have meant acceptance of those terms. The strength of the peace faction, supported by the appeal from President Roosevelt, probably caused the Finnish Government in its last note to Russia, to indicate that it desired a clarification of the terms. Russia accepted that note as ending negotiations, but Secretary Hull has declined to take that view, and has made new representations both at Moscow and Helsinki. What the Finns continue to be most concerned about is the demand for the internment of the German divisions in their country. They know Hitler will order those divisions to fight; he may even call upon them to attempt to take over the Government, which would precipitate battle with the Finnish Armies. His course in Hungary, another Ally, is ground for such apprehension. Also concerning the Finns is the offer of Stalin of Red aid in internment of the German forces, and they fear the possibility that once in Finland the Soviets would never leave. It has been suggested that Finland would be willing to have the United States arrange for her surrender. This, however, would make us responsible for the continued independence of the country, and involve us in the settlement of the numerous problems which exist and which would arise. Some military authorities believe we could arrange the surrender, send a token force to the country, welcome the Russians as allies to intern the Germans, and guarantee their withdrawal after peace had been established. In view of the fact that we have morally guaranteed the independence and integrity of Iran, we could, it is argued, more properly, because of our greater interest in Finland, give a like guarantee to her. However, there is the fact that we want no more complications with Russia than can be avoided. One path open to us is to sever relations with Finland as a method of showing our displeasure at the course she is pursuing. It is quite possible that in recognizing the Badoglio Government diplomatically, Stalin was moved by his negotiations with Finland and his knowledge of the ferment in the Balkans to demonstrate to the concerned States that surrender would not mean any loss of their freedom. However, the United States and Great Britain after consultation have decided not to follow Stalin's lead in this matter. It appears we were not officially advised of this act toward the Badoglio regime, though we learned it was impending, but there now seems justification for it. Doubtless a satisfactory explanation will be forthcoming from Moscow.

In response to public demand, and especially the rising agitation in the Senate to be informed on all phases of our foreign policy, Secretary Hull issued this week a statement of principles which will receive general American approval. He stated that at the present time, our paramount aim is to defeat our enemies as quickly as possible, and beyond final victory, to insure national security and the fostering of the economic and social well being of our people. He advocated international cooperation, and an international organization to keep the peace, by force, if necessary. Political differences between nations, he desired should be adjudicated by agencies using the remedies of discussion, negotiation and good offices. He advocated an International Court of Justice. He urged regulation of armaments, but not disarmament. He repeated the Moscow Declaration for cooperation by the United States, Great Britain, Russia and China, and held that as its provisions went into effect there would disappear spheres of influence, alliances, balance of power and the like. He felt there should be continuous surveillance over aggressor nations until they showed by their acts abandonment of their monstrous philosophy of superior race and conquest by force, and were prepared to embrace loyally the principles of peaceful processes. He spoke of the necessity of eliminating international trade barriers and the stabilization of currencies and exchange. He reiterated the principles of the Atlantic Charter, which Prime Minister Churchill said this week should be clarified in view of developments of the war, and insisted upon the sovereign equality of all nations. He stated that each nation should decide for itself the form and details of its own governmental organization, so long as it should conduct its affairs in such a way as not to menace the peace and security of other nations, a principle which

obviously is to be applied in the cases of Italy, France and other states to be freed. Probably this will not appeal to de Gaulle, who wants his Committee recognized as the government of France, nor to Vichy, concerning which Mr. Hull denied he would collaborate. Further in his statement of policy, he said there is no surer way for a people to show themselves worthy of liberty than to fight for it, which in effect is a notice to Argentina and other countries that they ought to align themselves with the United Nations. As to dependent peoples, he cited our policy toward the Philippines as an example to be observed by other nations having such peoples under their dominion. As the independence movement is strong in India, and as we are planning to give complete independence to the Philippines, this feature of the Secretary's policy may not appeal to Britain.

**Naval Aeronautics**—Planes of one of the Navy's new 27,000-ton carriers, a ship whose fliers have struck eight major Japanese bases since September 1943, have sunk or damaged enough ships to comprise a fair-sized fleet and, by shooting down 60 planes in one action, won one of the great carrier victories of the war.

The Gilbert and Marshall Islands, the blow at Truk and aerial attacks on Marcus Island, Wake, Rabaul, Saipan and Tinian are the battles of the carrier in five of which its fliers have sunk one destroyer and two merchant ships, damaged 13 cruisers and two destroyers and destroyed 89 Japanese planes. In these five actions well over a thousand sorties were made against the enemy, over a half-million pounds of bombs dropped and close to 400,000 rounds of ammunition fired.

The carrier's fighter squadron, which had fought in the African invasion in 1942, got its first Japanese planes in the Wake attack. Lt. (jg) H. McWhorter, USN, got one. Altogether the carrier's fighters shot down four and destroyed eight on the ground.

At Rabaul 60 planes were shot down in one action. Also at Rabaul a destroyer was sunk and nine cruisers damaged. Lt. (jg) Albert E. Martin, USN, is credited with four in this action and Lt. (jg) Eugene A. Valencia, USNR, with three and a half. Four Zeros were downed in the Truk attack by Lt. (jg) Louis A. Menard, jr., USN, who also destroyed a Nazi plane in the African invasion.

The K-68, a blimp which was forced down in the Caribbean due to fuel exhaustion after standing by during the sinking of an enemy submarine, has been salvaged piecemeal from a barren island and returned to action. When the submarine sinking was announced by the Navy Department, 21 Nov. 1943, the K-68 was listed as lost although the entire crew was saved. Early in August the \$350,000, 250-foot airship was dismantled and removed to a base for reassembly.

Adrian Waldorf, former New York architect now employed in the Bureau of Aeronautics, Special Devices Division, has designed an ingenious machine for the purpose of immediately converting ordinary topographical maps into a prospective view. When the call came from the African theater for such a device he had been experimenting with the idea for some time. Nine days later he perfected a machine which accomplishes the conversion automatically in 20 minutes.

**NAVAL AIR TRANSPORT SERVICE**—The NATS, Pacific Division, is now flying 320,000 miles a week. The job of the division, which is commanded by Capt. D. W. Tomlinson, USNR, is to follow the fleet with vital personnel and supplies.

One of the latest steps to be added to its growing routes is in the Gilbert Islands. The present mileage of the division is a 450 per cent increase over a year ago. While the principal cargo is not passengers, more than 5,500 are carried monthly. In freight, the principal item, the division was operating about 1,440,000 ton-miles a month in June, 1943. By December, 1943, this had increased to 3,450,000 ton-miles a month. In one recent month 1,721,556 pounds of mail was flown across the Pacific.

For planes, Consolidated Coronadoes are used, transport versions of Coronado bombers; two-motored Martin Mariners and four-motored Douglas Skymasters. The Pacific Division is a combination of Navy Squadrons and Pan-American Airways, all operating under the command of Capt. Don F. Smith, USN.

Under a new schedule of flights started by the NATS, Navy war casualties arriving in this country from the Pacific are being transferred to inland hospitals.

**Army Air Forces**—High-level precision bombing by the AAF 7th Bombardment Group has neutralized Japanese forces along an 800-mile front in Burma. Col. Conrad F. Necrason, commanding officer of the group, has reported to the War Department. The group, of B-24 Liberators, is a unit of the 10th Air Force in the Strategic Air Forces of the Eastern Air Command and operates under the Allied Southeast Asia Command.

"Losses have been only about one and a half per cent of our crews and planes," said Colonel Necrason, "which is very low. At the same time, we have been able to destroy our targets completely 85 per cent of the time in both day and night missions. This includes flying in the monsoon weather."

Systematic bombing of Japanese bases, airdromes, railroads, warehouses, oil refineries and their ships at sea from Bangkok in the south to Mkitkyina in the north, he said, has kept them from being able to launch any sort of an offensive and left some of their forces facing virtual starvation.

The London Daily Mail stated this week that four-engined American bombers are arriving in Britain within 10 days of leaving assembly lines in the United States. The newspaper said that the daily volume far outstrips losses that may be incurred in any raid and quoted the chief of one American command as saying that the volume of traffic in one recent month was 15 times as great as a year ago.

A fighter group of the 8th Air Force has destroyed 212½ German planes and become the second American fighter group to pass the 100 mark. Commanded by Col. Donald J. M. Blakeslee, the group also claims 29 planes probably destroyed and 93 damaged since it began operations in September, 1942.

1st Lt. Durwood W. Fesmire, B-17 Fortress bombardier of the 8th Air Force, dropped his hundredth bomb load recently to establish a record of his own. Lieutenant Fesmire formerly was a sergeant bombardier on the now famous "Suzy Q," which was retired from combat after a historic tour of operations with the 19th Bombardment Group in the South Pacific. Lieutenant Fesmire flew 92 missions as bombardier and his recent 100th combat mission was his eighth over Europe.

In 16 months of combat the 319th Bomb Group, the oldest medium group operating in the Mediterranean Theater, has pounded important German frontline communications targets with 9,605,792 pounds of bombs. The group is commanded by Lt. Col. Joseph R. Holzapple.

A disabled 8-25 Mitchell medium bomber completed a successful bomb run with one of its engines dead near the Anzio beachhead and then was confronted with a 7,000-foot mountain range. The bomber was piloted by 1st Lt. Louis B. Stokes. As the plane approached the mountains, rapidly losing altitude, its crew jettisoned its guns as a last resort and cleared the peaks with 200 feet to spare.

**AIR SURGEON**—Graduation exercises for a class of Aviation Medical Examiners were held 15 March at the AAF School of Aviation Medicine, Randolph Field, Texas, of which Brig. Gen. Eugen G. Reinartz is commandant. The graduation address was made by Brig. Gen. Charles R. Glenn and the presentation of diplomas was made by General Reinartz.

**TRAINING COMMAND**—Brig. Gen. Sheplaw W. Fitzgerald, former acting commanding general of the AAF Central Technical Training Command, on 14 March assumed command of Scott Field, Illinois. He succeeded Col. John P. Temple. The new commander saw more than a year's service in Africa, where he organized a headquarters for an African-Middle East Wing of the AAF Transport Command.

At Scott Field many qualified OCS applicants awaiting assignment to a quota have taken advantage of the opportunity and applied for the AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Activities training which in many cases leads to non-commissioned and warrant officer ratings. Due to an acute shortage of qualified officers and men with previous



small boat experience, the training as masters, mates and marine engineers was made available to accepted OCS candidates who had been passed by a board and for whom no quota was available.

**Army Ground Forces—HEADQUARTERS, AGF**—Detailed reports of various aspects of the Italian campaign were furnished officers of Headquarters, Army Ground Forces, commanded by Lt. Gen. Lesley J. McNair, by returning members of observer teams sent by the AGF to the front lines to gather first-hand information to be applied to the training of troops here.

Among the returning officers were Lieutenant Colonels Robert J. Williams, FA; Jesse C. Drain, Inf; Val J. Hakanson, Cav; Jules H. Deshotels, Inf; Alfred K. DuMoulin, Inf; John Schmelzer, Inf; M. S. Cralle, Inf; Stewart M. Davis, Inf; William L. Fagg, INF; Harry C. Kirby, INF, and Charles H. White, jr., FA, and Majors Harry F. Suffield, GSC; Paul P. Winkel, FA; Russell J. Manzolillo, Inf; Allan G. Crist, Cav; George Artman, Inf; Edwin O'Connor, jr., Cav; Kenneth I. Hittle, CAV; Robert H. Billingsley, FA, and Elias C. Townsend, INF.

The reports were on the beach landings at Anzio and the calm determination of American troops; the speed with which the landings were executed and the excellent antiaircraft support. Other reports were on the efficiency of our field artillery, and the fine work of the parachute troops and infantry.

**HDQ. ARMORED CENTER**—Under a plan to provide the Cuban army with officers trained in American methods of armored warfare, six Cuban officers are taking the 17-week Armored Officer Candidate School course. The officers, graduates of their own "West Point," the Cuban Cadet School in Havana, are: Second Lieutenants Raul P. Martin, Florentino E. Rosell, Julio S. Gomez and Tomas D. Batista, and First Lieutenants Francisco T. Dorz and Roberto V. Jimenez. They will return to Cuba as instructors.

Discharged from the Navy less than three months ago for injuries suffered in a Naval engagement, 18-year-old Wallace C. McQuilkin, volunteered for duty in the Army and is now learning to become a tank driver under Army Ground Forces at the Armored Replacement Training Center at Fort Knox, Ky. Private McQuilkin, who received shrapnel wounds on the head and a crushed knee, volunteered through his Selective Service board at New Kensington, Pa.

**HDQ. CAVALRY SCHOOL**—Lt. Col. David V. Adamson, assistant executive officer and S-3, and Lt. Col. Harry W. Candler recently left the Cavalry School for new assignments.

Maj. Edward C. D. Scherrer, a member of the Cavalry School staff and faculty in the department of tactics, has been awarded the Distinguished Service Cross for extraordinary heroism while leading a reconnaissance party on New Georgia, Solomon Islands, in July 1943. Col. Thomas W. Herren, Commandant of the school, made the presentation at a dismounted review of the 29th Cavalry Troops and a school unit at Fort Riley, Kan.

**HDQ. ANTI-AIRCRAFT COMMAND**—Capt. Clarence H. Schulz, CAC, who formerly served in the School Branch, G-3 section, has been relieved from assignment to this headquarters and is now attending an advanced course at the Antiaircraft Artillery School, Camp Davis, N. C.

**AAA SCHOOL**—Among visitors to the AAA School this week were Robert N. Mackin, commanding officer, Norfolk region of the antiaircraft defense of the Eastern Defense Command, and Col. J. R. Jeter, of Headquarters, Army Ground Forces.

**Marine Corps**—Issuance of the Navy Landing Force Manual to the Marine Corps is being discontinued by headquarters. Hereafter, appropriate War Department training publications will be used for all training purposes. An exception is that portion of the Landing Force Manual which details certain ceremonies and inspections applicable to both the Navy and Marine Corps. That part of the manual—Sections III and IV of Chapter IX, Sections I to IX inclusive, and XI of Chapter X, and all of Chapter XI is being printed in pamphlet form for distribution.

The House this week passed and sent to the President a bill, S. 1053, which provides that the heads of the Marine paymaster and quartermaster departments shall have the titles of Paymaster General and Quartermaster General, respectively.

With immediate requirements for officer personnel in the Woman's Reserve met, qualifications have been made more strict. Applicants for officer training hereafter must be noncommissioned officers with at least four complete months of active duty; they must have completed two years or four semesters of resident training in an accredited college or university, and must have attained a minimum of 110 on the Marine Corps general classification test. The new restrictions do not apply to applications submitted prior to 10 Feb.

An outline of the plan of supply for the Fleet Marine Forces is contained in a new Circular Letter, No. 628, issued 8 March to replace letter No. 547 of 18 Jan. 1942. The Quartermaster, U. S. Marine Corps, is charged with the procurement, storage and distribution of all supplies and equipment for FMF units, and the letter enjoins commanders to furnish the Quartermaster with pertinent information relative to logistical factors of the military situation in sufficient time for him to carry out his responsibilities. To facilitate procurement, storage and distribution, FMF supplies and equipment are grouped into five principal divisions—engineer, ordnance, signal, motor transport and general supply. Separate requisitions will be used for each division.

In another Circular Letter, No. 627, depots and organizations are cautioned against lending critical items and equipment to other services and organizations which are not authorized to have certain equipment. Such equipment is often not returned in a serviceable condition and is not available when needed. All such loans to other services by installations and units in the United States must be approved by the Commandant. Loans by units overseas must be approved by the highest command in the immediate area and the Commandant notified by dispatch.

**Bureau of Ships**—The light cruiser Dayton, displacing 10,000 tons and capable of more than 33 knots, was launched 19 March at the Camden, N. J., yards of the New York Shipbuilding Corp. The sponsor of the vessel was Mrs. Harry Rueger, of the Ohio city for which it was named.

The 303-foot frigate Lorain was launched 18 March at the American Ship Building Co. yards, Lorain, Ohio. Admiral Ernest J. King, Commander-in-Chief of the United States Fleet and Chief of Naval Operations, a native of Lorain, delivered a pre-launching address. The vessel was sponsored by Mrs. Fred Henderson.

**Ordnance Department**—The second of a series of Army Ordnance lectures, "Ordnance in Combat," will be presented in Washington, D. C. 20 March. This series of lectures is being presented by able officers of the Ordnance School at Aberdeen, Md., Proving Ground, who discuss subjects in which they are proficient thereby providing Washington audiences with an experience normally limited to student officers at the school.

Maj. William C. Farmer, of the faculty of the Ordnance School, who has recently returned from North Africa, Italy and Sicily, will present a first hand account of Ordnance service to the firing line, including ammunition supply, maintenance, evacuation and recovery of materiel under fire.

**Army Chaplains Corps**—Added to the casualty list of army chaplains are the following: Eunace A. Wallace, killed in action in North Italy; Markus Lohman, accidental death by drowning in the Southwest Pacific, and Leland R. Larson, wounded in Italy.

The Army chaplains' casualty list in this war to date is as follows: 34 have died in the service, 22 of them having been killed in action; one is reported missing; 20 have been wounded; 33 are prisoners of war.

In reply to a request from Representative Snyder, Pa., the Chief of Chaplains of the Army, William R. Arnold, sent a comprehensive letter relative to the general activities of the Chaplains' Corps. Chaplain Arnold revealed that the corps has grown from 1,478 as of 7 Dec. 1941, to 6,908 on duty 31 Dec. 1943, 2,743 of whom are outside the continental limits of the United States.

**Corps of Engineers**—The Safety and Accident Prevention Branch of the Corps of Engineers held its semi-annual conference in the new War Department Building, 20-25 March. The conference was in two sections, one devoted to the problems of the Division of Safety Engineers, and the other to those of Division Training Safety Engineers. Safety engineers and training safety engineers were present from all division offices. On 20 March the conferees were addressed by the Chief of Engineers, Maj. Gen. Eugene Reybold, on the subject "Getting Down to Fundamentals." Maj. Gen. Thomas M. Robins, Deputy Chief of Engineers, addressed the accident prevention section on the same date on the subject of "A Broader Conception of Accident Prevention."

**Navy Chaplains Corps**—Recently, "somewhere in the Pacific" a "Reinforce Your Religion Week" was held, Catholic, Protestant, and Jewish services being celebrated nightly in thea mp chapel, attended by Marines, most of whom are veterans of Tarawa. Its purpose was "the deepening, strengthening and re-orienting of religion." The Catholic portion of the week was devoted to a mission. Although there was no Jewish chaplain available, three Jewish services were scheduled, to be conducted by an Army chaplain, a USO worker, and a Seabee officer.

The district chaplain of the Third Naval District, Capt. Maurice M. Witherpoon, has been conducting a drive through the religious press to secure clergymen for the chaplaincy in the Navy.

**Signal Corps**—Capt. Jesse Moss, SC, has returned from London—where he was on duty with the newly established Signal Corps Legal Agency—and has been assigned to temporary duty in the Legal Division, Office of the Chief Signal Officer. The general purpose of the Agency is to facilitate exchange between the United States and Great Britain of technical information and patent rights. Captain Moss served with the International Division, Army Service Forces, before going to England.

Capt. Lillian L. Burge, WAC, former Adjutant at the 3rd WAC Training Center at Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., has been assigned to duty in the Signal Unit Survey Branch, Personnel and Training Service, Office of the Chief Signal Officer.

A swimming pool—120 feet long and 60 feet wide—is nearing completion at the Western Signal Corps Training Center at Camp Kohler, Calif., and Col. Harry E. Storms, Commanding Officer, is planning a formal opening when warm weather arrives. In addition to its use for recreation and sports, the pool will be employed in a water training program.

The Japanese, at one stage of their war with China, paid a bounty of \$2,000 for each captured Chinese Signal Corps officer and \$500 for each enlisted signaller, according to Captain Hung-Yen Lo, of the Chinese Army Signal Corps, now on detached service at Camp Crowder, Mo. This dubious honor was conferred on signallers because they were credited by the Japanese with intimate knowledge of headquarters locations, disposition of troops and other important military information.

**Army Medical Department**—There are now 40 Army general hospitals in the United States in which reconditioning units are functioning, not including certain other hospitals handling certain special cases of blindness, deafness and mental or nervous instability. It was revealed as ranking officers of the Army witnessed a two-day demonstration of reconditioning activities at Schick General Hospital, Clinton, Iowa, on 21 and 22 March. Observers saw the more active patients engage in gymnastics and calisthenics and in drills and mass games, and then inspected bed exercise classes in handicraft and occupational therapy, and other activities designed either to fit a patient for return to military duty or, if this is not possible, to enable him to be discharged in condition to resume civilian activities.

Col. Augustus Thorndike, MC, director of the Medical Department's reconditioning division, told the assembled officers that "the program is coordinated so that physical and educational activities are all integrated into a composite schedule." Lt. Col. Howard A. Rusk, MC, discussing the reconditioning program in Air Forces hospitals, stated that the mixed work, play and study of the reconditioning program usually speeded convalescence. Morale of men was strengthened because they were not dropping hopelessly behind other men in their units, he pointed out.

Brig. Gen. C. C. Hillman, Chief of the Professional Service Division, office of the Surgeon General formally convened the conferences. Other officers present included: Maj. Gen. Ray E. Porter, Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3; Maj. Gen. Miller G. White, Assistant Chief of Staff, G-1; Maj. Gen. Joe N. Dalton, Chief of the Personnel Division, Army Service Forces; Col. Dean F. Winn, MC; Maj. H. W. Bues, jr., and Maj. E. G. Johnson, MC.

Considerable interest is being shown here in the British "Bulletin of War Medicine" edited by the staff of the Bureau of Hygiene and Tropical Diseases and published in London by His Majesty's Stationery Office. Latest issue to reach this country is the December, 1943, number, which contains a special article on "Plasma Loss in Burns." Other departments of the issue are devoted to wounds and injuries, shock, transfusion, anaesthesia, diseases, psychological medicine, rehabilitation, pharmacology and general therapeutic measures, naval medicine, aviation medicine, food, drink and nutrition, pathology, bacteriology and immunity, and book reviews.

**Use of Italian Navy**—Reports from across the Atlantic this week told of uses to which the former Italian Navy is being put both by the Allies and by the Nazis. From Salerno came word that the newspaper "Il Corriere" states that Italian warships have escorted 176 Allied convoys totaling 2,544 ships carrying 21,318,300 tons since the armistice 8 Sept. Also, the paper said, Italian warships have transported 9,132 United Nations' troops. All types of warships from cruisers to motor torpedo boats and submarines, numbering 296, carried out 231 war missions. It was stated, traveling 102,011 miles as well as transporting more than 98,000 Italian troops and escorting fifty-six Italian steamers.

From London came reports that the Germans have been using former Italian submarines for blockade-running from Japan. Relieved of torpedo tubes and guns, these subs carry 200 tons each from the Orient to ports on the Bay of Biscay, it was said.

**Bureau of Medicine and Surgery**—Capt. Benjamin H. Adams, (MC) USN, who reported for duty in the Division of Physical Qualifications and Medical Records on 10 March, has relieved Capt. H. H. Montgomery, (MC) USN, as chief of the division. Captain Montgomery is establishing a new Office of Rehabilitation in the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery.

The Medical Society of the District of Columbia is holding a special "Army-Navy Night" tonight, 25 March, in its headquarters at 1718 M Street northwest. Guests of honor at the meeting will be the wives and parents of Washington physicians in the armed forces. Entertainment, music and a speech are on the program. Officers on duty in the bureau have been invited to attend.

**Army Nurse Corps**—Col. Florence A. Blanchfield, Superintendent of the Army Nurse



Corps, returned to Washington yesterday, 24 March, from an inspection of three facilities in the 2nd Service Command. Colonel Blanchfield visited Tilton General Hospital, Ft. Dix, N. J., on 18 and 19 March; Lebanon General Hospital, Long Island, N. Y., on 20 March, and Ft. Du Pont, Del., on 22 March. This coming week, Colonel Blanchfield will speak before the Mental Hygiene Society of North Carolina, at Charlotte, on the probable needs for psychiatric nursing during the next ten years.

**Infantry School**—Maj. Gen. A. W. Waldron, new Chief, Ground Requirements Section, Headquarters Army Ground Forces was a recent visitor to The Infantry School at Fort Benning, Ga., where he witnessed demonstrations of Infantry Weapons and equipment, and discussed matters pertaining to the development of equipment with members of the Infantry Board. Accompanying him were Col. F. R. Fuller, Chief of the Requirement Branch's Infantry Section; Col. M. R. Cox, Chief of the Field Artillery Branch and Col. J. C. Bain, Chief of the Antiaircraft Branch.

Lt. Col. O. Elliott Ursin, secretary of the Medical Field School at Carlisle Barracks spent three days at the Infantry School, studying operational methods at the School.

Another visitor to the School was Col. Ralph R. Mace, director of the Communications Section of the Field Artillery School at Fort Sill. His visit was for the purpose of studying instructional methods in subjects applicable to his own department.

Col. Cyril Paine of the AGF addressed members of the Infantry School Faculty on the invasion of the Marshall Islands.

**Field Artillery School**—Fourteen officers have been assigned to the Staff and Faculty of the Field Artillery School, Ft. Sill, Okla., as instructors. Six of the officers are assigned to Communication department: 1st Lt. Andrew Brindzak, 1st Lt. Max E. Brown, 1st Lt. William C. Elbrader, 2nd Lt. Augusto J. Dionizio, 2nd Lt. Arthur E. Peltosalo, and 2nd Lt. William P. Slichter, Department of Air Training: 1st Lt. Robert J. Ely, 1st Lt. Gus M. Albert, and 2nd Lt. Bert L. Maxwell. Department of Tactics: Col. Hugh P. Adams and Capt. Lawrence H. Volz. Department of Gunnery: 1st Lt. Charles M. Marsh and 1st Lt. Carl E. Hartmann. Department of Materiel: 1st Lt. Thomas P. Montgomery.

1st Lt. Gerard T. Clarke, who fought in the Tunisian campaign as a field artillery forward observer, earning the Silver Star award and Purple Heart, has been assigned to the Field Artillery School as an instructor.

Although the 74th Field Artillery battalion was motorized in 1942, its veterinary officer is still serving with the battalion. He is Capt. William L. Mottram, San Francisco, Calif., who is filling the important job of Service Battery commander and battalion S-4.

As a veterinary officer, Captain Mottram had shown a keen interest in field artillery tactics and techniques, attending night classes held by the battalion and learning the rudiments of field artillery. On his request and that of his battalion commander, Captain Mottram was detailed with the field artillery and re-assigned to the 74th battalion. Later he attended the Battery Officers' course of the Field Artillery School, graduating 24 Feb. 1943. On 30 Oct. he was named commander of Service Battery and battalion S-4 by Lt. Col. George H. Davis, battalion commander. The 74th battalion recently arrived at Fort Sill to join the troops of the Field Artillery School.

**Judge Advocate General's School**—Like all other memorable occasions in human life, graduation is a time of change, said Maj. Gen. Henry S. Aurand, Commanding General of the Sixth Service Command, principal speaker at the graduation exercises for the 14th and 15th Officer Classes and the 4th Officer Candidate Class at the Judge Advocate General's School, Ann Arbor, Mich., on 14 March. The 131 graduates, the largest group in school history, included 79 second lieutenants, commissioned the previous day, as well as 52 officers ranging in rank from full colonel to second lieutenants.

Maj. Gen. Myron C. Cramer, The Judge Advocate General of the Army, called attention to the peculiar position that the graduates were to occupy as judge advocates—in assisting commanding officers in maintaining discipline and at the same time to protect military personnel from harsh and unfair treatment.

In opening the program, Col. Edward H. Young, School Commandant, noted that of the more than 1000 members of the Department at least two-thirds were alumni of the school.

**Quartermaster Corps**—A central meat cutting plant which receives the meat ration for an entire Army post, divides it into the various cuts and then issues it to individual company messes is being put into operation by the Food Service Section of the Quartermaster Corps in various Army installations throughout the country. Under this centralized system meats are cut and distributed to permit the most advantageous use of the meats and to provide better cuts of meat to individual messes. It actually saves the Government money through mass rendering of fats and its issuance instead of new fats for baking and other cooking purposes.

The type of meat each company mess is to receive is determined by a meat roster on a rotating schedule. For example, if the Master Menu, prepared in the Office of The Quartermaster General, calls for hamburger at dinner and beef stew at supper, the butcher section may be able to cut the meat so that instead of stewing beef, the company will receive beef for roasting or even steaks.

Curing equipment once used for getting Italian spaghetti to just the right crispness for connoisseurs now is drying the reclaimed and refreshed clothing of America's fighting men in Southern Italy. It seems to do the job about right, too, according to reports received by the Office of The Quartermaster General concerning the Fifth Army's salvage operations.

The Chicago Chapter of the Quartermaster Association sponsored a Dinner Dance 11 March in honor of the birthday of Brig. Gen. J. E. Barzynski, Commanding General of the Depot. More than 150 officers and their ladies were present. A special birthday cake was one of the highlights. Among the guests was Brig. Gen. William E. Guthner of the Sixth Service Command.

**New Weapons of Warfare**—It was officially disclosed in London last Saturday that Britain has been using rocket guns effectively against German planes since 1941. It was also disclosed that the rocket propellant is being made in America.

The British, it was revealed, have been experimenting with rocket guns since 1934 when first word was received that Germany was greatly interested in such weapons. Much of the development has been carried on by Dr. Alwyn Douglas Crow, controller of projectile development in the Ministry of Supply.

The ministry announced that the rocket propellant, one of the most effective known to the Allies, is being produced in a plant in the Middle West where British experts came to assist in the development of the plant. This propellant is undoubtedly available to the United States for use in similar weapons.

A more detailed eye-witness account of the new airborne rockets in action against the Japanese at Bougainville was released this week by the Navy Department. The story is told by S. Sgt. Dan Bailey, a Marine Corps combat correspondent. Sergeant Bailey rode in a torpedo bomber using the rockets which had as its target a Japanese bivouac area along the coast of the island. The bombs, which are set in either wing and released by a mechanism from the pilot's cockpit have so far, in the South Pacific, been used only on Marine Grumman Avengers.

"We flew toward it," states Sergeant Bailey, "in a low glide at more than 300

miles an hour. I could see Lieutenant Anderson (1st Lt.) Paul E. Anderson, pilot of the plane) sighting in carefully on the center of the camp.

"Suddenly the plane shook under a jarring explosion. Lieutenant Anderson had released the rockets. I caught a glimpse of brilliant red balls racing away from the plane with a loud whistling sound.

"The rockets smashed into the center of the target, throwing a purple mushroom of flame, smoke, and debris more than 100 feet into the air. The smoke was still rising as we headed out to sea."

John Hays Hammond, Jr., inventor and holder of patents on radio-controlled bombs, was quoted by the Boston *Traveler* this week as saying that he believes that the Germans have not exerted the full force of their glider bombs as yet. "No shipping will be safe," he said, "if the Germans perfect this type of warfare, excepting those ships which stay out of reach." One British official characterized this statement as "visionary and exaggerated out of all proportion."

The Berlin correspondent of a Stockholm newspaper has reported that the British are using a "magic eye" which detects the approach of German night fighters. The same report also tells of a small radio transmitter, which automatically emits a constant radio tone, that raid leaders release over targets suspended from small balloons. This presumably guides following planes to the target.

The EAC armored car, Mark 11, a British-developed 12-ton armored vehicle equipped to fire a 6 pound anti-tank gun while travelling from 18 to 42 miles an hour, was announced this week. The radio-equipped vehicle also mounts machine guns. It carries a crew of four and is protected by inch and a quarter armor plate in front and one inch plate on the sides. It is powered with a Diesel engine.

## U. S. War Communiques

### NAVY DEPARTMENT

#### No. 510, 18 March

1. The submarine USS Capelin and USS Sculpin are overdue from patrol and must be presumed to be lost.

2. The next of kin of personnel in the Capelin and the Sculpin have been so notified.

#### No. 511, 20 March

Atlantic: 1. The USS Leopold (Destroyer Escort No. 319), manned by Coast Guard officers and men, was sunk on 10 March as a result of an underwater explosion, while on escort duty in the Atlantic.

2. The next of kin of all casualties have been notified.

#### No. 512, 21 March

Pacific and Far East: 1. U. S. submarines have reported the sinking of fifteen vessels in operations against the enemy in these waters, as follows:

- 1 Large Transport
- 1 Medium Transport
- 1 Large Tanker
- 9 Medium Freighters
- 2 Small Freighters
- 1 Medium Tanker

2. These actions have not been announced in any previous Navy Department Communiqué.

#### No. 513, 22 March

1. The submarine USS Scorpion is overdue from patrol and must be presumed to be lost.

2. The next of kin of casualties of the Scorpion have been so notified.

### GENERAL MACARTHUR'S HQ., SOUTH-WEST PACIFIC AREA

#### 16 March

Northwestern Sector: Reconnaissance activity only.

Northeastern Sector: New Ireland: Our night air patrols bombed Kavieng, Namatanai and enemy installations at Cape St. George.

New Britain: Rabaul: Our Solomons' escorted heavy units at midday dropped eighty-eight tons of bombs on the township, starting large fires. Fighters sweeping the area strafed Tolera airdrome.

Jacquot Bay: Our medium units at dusk dropped twenty tons of bombs on enemy positions while air patrols bombed and strafed.

New Guinea: Aitape: Our heavy units dropped sixty-eight tons of bombs on Tadij airdrome. A parked aircraft was destroyed on the ground. Explosions and fires were started and the runway was severely damaged.

Wewak: In the fourth consecutive midday strike on the enemy base, our escorted heavy, medium and attack bombers dropped 174 tons of explosives at Boran and Bbandi Plantation. All targets were thoroughly strafed at minimum altitude. Heavy damage was inflicted and many gun positions were silenced. Smoke from blazing fuel dumps blanketed the entire target area. Thirty enemy fighters intercepted, losing eight destroyed and two probably.

Our night air patrols bombed an enemy large concentration at Mushu Island, destroying four.

Hansa Bay-Madang: Our heavy units bombed installations at Hansa Bay. Our air patrols attacked a small craft off Morik Lagoon and coastal targets at Madang.

Mint Jim Valley: Advance elements of our ground forces have passed through Salpa and Yokopi villages and are now in the vicinity of Danmoia.

Bougainville: Our torpedo and dive-bombers dropped 123 tons on enemy positions northeast of the perimeter, while heavy units and air patrols attacked targets to the south.

#### 17 March

Northwestern Sector: Netherlands New Guinea: Our night air patrols bombed the airdrome at Babo, causing fires and explosions.

Northeastern Sector: Admiralty Islands: We have landed on Manus Island. Our ground forces, covered by artillery fire from the neighboring islands of Hanwei and Rufe Loo, captured the day before, and supported by naval and air bombardment, landed with minor losses. By nightfall we had gained positions within one-half mile from the airfield. Our light naval units at night destroyed an enemy barge and captured another one intact.

New Ireland: Our air patrols bombed Pananal, Rorop and Namatanal airdromes. A fighter sweep damaged three barges on the west coast.

New Britain: Rabaul: Our Solomons' air force in successive midday attacks dropped 173 tons of explosives on Vunapone airdrome, the township and waterfront. Many buildings were demolished, large fires started and two shore batteries silenced. A total of nine barges and two small craft were destroyed or damaged in the area.

Open Bay: Our air patrols sank two barges off Pondo Point and strafed coastal villages to the south and west.

New Guinea: Wewak: Our escorted heavy, medium and attack bombers continued the assault on the enemy base with 140 tons of explosives, scoring direct hits on five gun positions and causing large fires visible for seventy-five miles. At Kairiru Island swampland base a coastal vessel was destroyed and installations severely damaged. Our escort shot down five defending enemy fighters and another probably. Two of our planes were missing. Our night air patrols destroyed or damaged twenty-three enemy barges at Mushu Island in Broken Water Bay. This brought the total of the entire area for the day to forty-one barges.

Madang Coast: Our attack planes on successive days bombed and strafed Sek Island and airdromes at Alexishafen, starting fires. Our air and naval patrols attacked targets at Mainland and Karkar Islands.

Rai Coast: Two enemy planes bombed Sador before dawn, causing minor damage.

Ramu Valley: Our anti-aircraft destroyed one of two enemy bombers raiding Dampa area.

Bougainville: Our ground forces repulsed another assault in force on our northern perimeter. Counter-attacks and mop-up operations by our troops resulted in heavy losses to the enemy. Our light bombers, in strength, effectively attacked hostile gun positions and supply dumps at Torokina with 145 tons of explosives, causing fires. Our air patrols attacked targets at Buks, Kleta and Motupena in Ruin-Faisi area and Cholsai Bay. An enemy float plane was shot down at Empress Augusta Bay.

#### 18 March

Northwestern Sector: Java: Our heavy bombers raided the enemy naval base at Surabaya and the Den Pasar airdrome at Bali during the night. Explosions and fires were seen in the target area, but clouds prevented assessment of damage. All our planes returned safely after covering more than 2,000 miles.

Northeastern Sector: Admiralty Islands: Our ground forces, with supporting fire from destroyers, have taken over the main airdrome and are advancing on the town. At midday they were within 600 yards of its outskirts.

New Ireland: Our Solomons' air patrols, sweeping coastal sectors, destroyed or damaged six barges, shot down an enemy float plane at Namatanai and set fire to shore installations at Cape St. George.

New Britain: Rabaul: Our Solomons' air units of all categories raided airdromes and Vunapone supply areas with 135 tons of bombs, causing large fires and much damage to runways and buildings. Fighters on a midday sweep wrecked four barges in the area. There was no interception.

Ubiil: Our medium units at night bombed the area. To the southwest our air patrols strafed villages near Bangula Bay.

New Guinea: Wewak: Our air offensive against the enemy base continues. Escorted heavy, medium and attack planes before noon struck bivouacs, supply areas and gun positions with 143 tons of bombs and extensive strafing. At least four gun positions and numerous buildings were destroyed. Many fires were started. There was no interception and anti-aircraft fire was ineffective. We had no losses.

Hansa Bay: Our escorted medium units at midday dropped twenty-one tons of bombs on supply and personnel areas on Nubia Plantation, silencing gun positions and starting numerous fires.

Madang Coast: Our air patrols attacked inland villages and coastal targets at Alexishafen, Uligan and Sarang Harbor.

Bougainville: The enemy's offensive against our beachhead which began 8 March has completely broken down. His formations have been dispersed and decimated. More than 1,100 of his dead lie within our lines alone. His total casualties are many times this. Our losses are proportionately light. Our light bombers and fighters patrolled forward areas, destroying three hostile gun positions, silencing two others and striking enemy bivouac areas. Air patrols attacked targets in the Ruin-Faisi area. Our naval units bombarded enemy shore positions at Torokina.

#### 19 March

Northwestern Sector: Reconnaissance activity only.

Northeastern Sector: Admiralty Islands: Our ground forces now are fighting in Lorengau.

New Ireland: Kavieng: Our Solomons' torpedo and dive-bombers struck the enemy base before noon with forty-two tons of explosives.

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fires, scoring direct hits on ten gun positions and an ammunition dump. Our night air patrols bombed Kavieng, Papanai and Namatanai.

New Britain: Rabaul: Following a night harassing attack, our heavy, medium and fighter bombers from Solomon bases at midday attacked with eighty-eight tons of explosives. Vunakau and Toba airdromes, the Vunapope supply areas and waterfront were effectively covered, with many damaged buildings and fires resulting. An afternoon fighter sweep shot down one bomber.

Ubi: Our medium units bombed Sulu Village and strafed targets at Bangula Bay. Our long-range fighters destroyed or damaged eight enemy barges near Ulaoma. At Garove Island, our fighters bombed enemy positions and destroyed or damaged three barges by strafing.

Wide Bay: Our medium units at dawn dropped nineteen tons of bombs on Kalai Plantation, destroying a jetty and starting fires. Our air patrols strafed coastal targets here and at Cape Cunningham. Off Cape Beechey, a single enemy plane ineffectively attacked our light naval units at night.

New Guinea: Hollandia: Our night air patrols attacked an enemy convoy, damaging two 6,000-ton vessels.

Wewak: On the seventh day of assault, our heavy, medium and attack planes returned to drop 194 tons of bombs on Boram airdrome and installations at Cape Moem. Several gun positions were put out of action, a number of planes destroyed on the ground and the runway severely damaged. Numerous fires were seen in supply and personnel areas where enemy casualties probably were heavy. There was no interception and all our planes returned undamaged. Our night air patrols attacked barges off Mushu Island and Aitape.

Hansa Bay-Madang Coast: Our medium units bombed and strafed Sek Island and the airdrome at Alexishafen. Our air patrols strafed coastal targets of opportunity, destroying buildings and damaging barges.

Bougainville: Our torpedo planes, dive-bombers and naval units attacked enemy positions, scoring hits on gun positions and an ammunition dump. Our night air patrols and naval units destroyed three barges off the Jaba River and attacked enemy positions off the southwest coast and in the Bulu area. At Buka, our night reconnaissance planes bombed the airdrome, damaging buildings to the southeast of Kuri Bay.

### 20 March

Northwestern Sector: Java: Our heavy bombers again raided the enemy naval base and industrial area at Sarabava. Large explosions were observed. Fires were visible for 130 miles. All of our planes returned.

Northeastern Sector: Admiralty Islands: We have captured Lorengau. The remainder of the enemy garrison was driven into the hills to the south, abandoning many hundreds of his dead. Seventy-five bunkers were destroyed and quantities of arms and equipment were captured. Our destroyers supported the attack. This completes occupation of all vital areas in the Admiralties.

New Ireland: Kavieng area: Our Solomons escorted heavy units dropped fifty-three tons of bombs on Namatanai airdrome and supply areas. Our air patrols strafed coastal targets of opportunity and attacked installations at Cape St. George.

New Britain: Rabaul: After a night harassing raid our Solomons-based medium and fighter-bombers dropped twenty-seven tons

on Vunapope, the township and near-by supply areas, causing fires. A fighter sweep destroyed a harbor craft at Kabaira Bay.

Ubi: Our air patrols strafed Lolobau Island and mainland coastal targets sinking two barges and damaging two others north of Open Bay. On the south coast Solomons fighters sank a barge at Wide Bay.

Gasmata: Our light naval units destroyed five enemy barges at Lindenhafen and on the Anwek River.

New Guinea: Hollandia: Our air patrols sank a 3,000-ton freighter, seriously damaged a destroyer and a 5,000-ton cargo ship.

Wewak: In another destructive morning attack by our escorted heavy, medium and attack units, over 200 tons of bombs were dropped on airfields and supply areas. Numerous fires and explosions, visible for seventy miles, were observed and damage was heavy. Our naval units scouting along the coast sank a small enemy freighter.

Hansa Bay-Madang coast: Our heavy units bombed Alexishafen. Our air patrols swept the coast to Bogia, destroying two barges and silencing a number of enemy gun positions.

Saidor: Three enemy planes ineffectively raided before dawn.

Bougainville: Our torpedo and dive-bombers attacked enemy artillery positions and supply dumps. Air patrols struck enemy bivouacs and supply areas at Matchin Bay and Numa. Our naval units shelled enemy shore positions at Torokina and wrecked two barges near the Jaba River. A single enemy night raider was shot down.

### 21 March

Northwestern Sector: Netherlands New Guinea: Babo: Our heavy units bombed the town at night, causing explosions and fires, and raided Lingat in the Temimber Islands.

Northeastern Sector: Admiralty Islands: Our ground forces were patrolling extensively to clear out enemy remnants. Our light naval units shelled Rambuty Island and destroyers bombarded hideouts.

New Ireland: Our Solomons air patrols bombed Namatanai, strafed coastal villages south of Cape Sena and sank two barges and two launches in the Feni group.

New Britain: Rabaul: Our Solomons-based fighters and bombers dropped sixty tons of incendiaries on the now isolated enemy base causing severe damage and many fires in the town and waterfront areas. The targets included supply dumps at Keravia Bay, Tawuli Point and Massava Bay where the dock was demolished. We lost one plane.

Open Bay: Our air patrols sweeping the west coast of the Gazelle Peninsula wrecked three enemy barges and strafed shore targets north of Pondo.

Gasmata: Our light naval units shelled shore installations at Lindenhafen.

Vitu Islands: Our fighters strafed enemy shore installations, causing fires. Three barges were destroyed or damaged and anti-aircraft positions were silenced.

New Guinea: Wewak: We have destroyed another enemy convoy off the coast of New Guinea. Two enemy transports of 6,000 and 4,000 tons, respectively, escorted by three corvettes, were sunk by our Air Force off Wewak. Many hundreds of troops, the ships and crews were lost. Our heavy, medium and attack planes struck from minimum height at the vessels, which were proceeding under forced draft, and sank them all.

Co-ordinated with this attack, our air units hit shore targets with 113 tons of bombs, silencing a heavy gun battery at Mum and causing numerous fires in supply areas. Offshore, our fighters sank an enemy troop-laden barge and a coastal vessel. Two enemy

fighters were shot down. We lost three planes.

Our naval units at night bombarded enemy installations at Kairuru and Mushu, damaging or sinking many small craft and starting fires visible for thirty miles. Enemy air attacks and shore fire were ineffective.

Mintjim Valley: Our fighters attacked enemy positions in the vicinity of Daumolina. Bougainville: Our light bombers and fighters attacked perimeter targets and strafed barges in the Jaba River and northeast of Buka.

Choiseul: Our medium units and dive-bombers attacked targets at Choiseul Bay with twenty-two tons of bombs and strafing.

### 22 March

Northwestern Sector: Reconnaissance activity only.

Northeastern Sector: St. Matthias Group: Our ground forces from bases in the Solomons, supported by strong naval and air elements, have seized a portion of the St. Matthias Island group, north of Kavieng. This operation completes isolation of all enemy bases in the Bismarck Archipelago and places us in bombing range of Truk.

New Ireland: Kavieng: Our escorted heavy units from Solomons bases at midday dropped fifty-five tons of bombs on Papanai airdrome, extensively damaging the runway and starting fires. Our night air patrols bombed Kavieng and Namatanai.

Our naval units from the Solomons bombarded enemy shore installations for three and one-half hours. Approximately 1,000 tons of shells were poured into the targets, causing large fires. Whole sections of the town were completely destroyed, ammunition dumps exploded and shore batteries silenced. We had no losses.

Cape St. George: Our escorted dive-bombers attacked enemy shore installations with good effect.

New Britain: Rabaul: Our Solomons medium and light bombers, following a night harassing raid, attacked enemy supply areas near Vunapope and Tawuli Point at midday, starting fires.

Open Bay: Our medium units at dawn dropped twenty-eight tons of bombs on Pondo Plantation causing fires and explosions. Our air patrols destroyed or damaged six barges at Cape Hoskins, and on the south coast strafed coastal targets from Montagu Harbor to Wide Bay. At Garove Island, our fighter-bombers, attacking shore installations, destroyed buildings and caused fires and explosions.

New Guinea: Hollandia: Our night air patrols badly damaged a 6,000-ton freighter transport with a direct hit and halted a gunboat with near misses.

Aitape: Our heavy units in a forenoon attack dropped 152 tons of bombs, effectively covering Tadji airdrome, bivouac and supply areas. Many parked planes were destroyed, fires started and the runway severely damaged. We had no losses.

Hansa Bay: Our medium units and air patrols attacked Nubia and coastal targets to the east. Our fighters strafed Angoram on the Sepik River, destroying buildings.

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Madang Coast: Our medium units struck Alexishafen while fighters attacked targets to the south, sinking three small craft.

Bougainville: Our torpedo and dive-bombers attacked targets on the Torokina perimeter. Our air and naval patrols destroyed two barges in the Bulu area and attacked targets at Mossiga, Ballale and Choiseul Bay.

### U. S. STRATEGIC AIR FORCES IN EUROPE

#### 15 March

Medium-sized forces of heavy bombers of the Eighth AF escorted by strong forces ofAAF Fighters, attacked military targets in central Germany today.

A later U. S. Strategic Air Force in Europe communique:

Medium-sized forces of B-17 Flying Fortresses and B-24 Liberators of the U S Eighth AF, escorted and supported by strong forces of Eighth and Ninth Air Force P-38 Lightnings and P-47 Thunderbolts, today attacked targets in Brunswick, Germany, important Nazi aircraft manufacturing center.

American Air Force escorts shot down thirty-six enemy interceptors. Five of our fighters and three heavy bombers are missing. Final tabulations of bombers' claims are not completed.

The bombing was done through a practically complete overcast by the use of instruments. Some bomber crews reported sighting numerous enemy fighters, while others said they saw practically none. Few were able to penetrate the American Air Force escort. Flak ranged from weak in outlying areas to intense over the targets.

Targets in Brunswick were attacked 11 Jan. and 30 Jan., and 21 Feb.

#### 16 March

Flying Fortresses and Liberators of the Eighth AF in very great strength, escorted and supported by very strong forces of Lightnings, Thunderbolts and Mustangs of the Eighth and Ninth Air Forces and by Dominion and Allied Spitfires, attacked industrial targets in southern Germany today.

All targets were bombed through overcast by the use of instruments. The enemy's fighter opposition was determined and our fighters destroyed seventy-six enemy aircraft in aerial combat. The number of enemy fighters shot down by our bombers is as yet unavailable.

Twenty-two of our bombers and thirteen fighters are missing, but the pilot of one fighter is safe.

#### 17 March

P-47 Thunderbolts of the 8th Air Force strafed and bombed airfields in northern France and the Netherlands this afternoon. Gun emplacements and motor transport were attacked and three enemy fighter planes were destroyed in combat.

Two of our fighters are missing.

A United States communique:

In a mid-afternoon operation by American

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European Air Forces B-26 Marauder medium bombers of the United States 9th Air Force attacked the rail center at Creil, north of Paris. The bombers were supported by P-47 Thunderbolts of the 9th Air Force.

A United States Air Force communique: Heavy bombers of the United States 8th Air Force destroyed forty-eight Nazi fighters in Thursday's operations against targets in southern Germany, including Ulm and Friedrichshafen, making the day's total 125.

Final assessments show American Air Force fighters destroyed seventy-seven enemy interceptors, one more than previously announced, and that twelve of the fighter escort and support were lost instead of thirteen, as previously reported.

Black-painted night fighters were sent up by the enemy to augment the twin-engined and single-engined interceptor forces.

**18 March**  
Military targets at Oberpfaffenhofen, Lechfeld, Landsberg, Friedrichshafen and Augsburg in south Germany were attacked today by B-17 Flying Fortresses and B-24 Liberators of the Eighth Air Force in very great strength.

The bombers were escorted by very strong forces of P-38 Lightnings, P-47 Thunderbolts and P-51 Mustangs of the Eighth and Ninth Air Forces. Some of the bomber formations encountered considerable enemy fighter opposition and our fighter escort shot down thirty-nine enemy aircraft. The number of enemy fighters shot down by our bombers is not yet available.

Forty-three of our bombers and ten fighters are missing.

**19 March**  
B-17 Flying Fortresses of the Eighth Air Force, with a P-47 Thunderbolt escort, bombed military installations in the Pas-de-Calais area of France late this afternoon. Other Thunderbolts bombed an enemy air-

field in the Netherlands, while P-51 Mustangs conducted an offensive fighter patrol. No enemy fighter opposition was encountered. One of our bombers did not return.

**20 March**  
Medium-sized forces of B-17 Flying Fortresses and B-24 Liberators of the Eighth Air Force attacked military targets in the Frankfurt area of Germany today. The formations encountered difficult weather and bombs were dropped through clouds by means of instruments.

Few enemy aircraft were encountered but four were destroyed by the strong fighter escort which included P-47 Thunderbolts, P-38 Lightnings and P-51 Mustangs of the Eighth Air Force and Mustangs of the Ninth Air Force.

Six of our bombers and eight fighters are missing.

**21 March**  
Military targets in the Pas-de-Calais area of occupied France were attacked today by B-24 Liberators of the Eighth Air Force, escorted by Eighth Air Force P-47 Thunderbolts. There was no enemy fighter opposition and all of our aircraft returned.

P-51 Mustangs of the Eighth Air Force carried out an offensive sweep deep into France, strafing enemy airdromes and installations from the Pyrenees to the Paris area.

Eleven enemy aircraft were destroyed in aerial combat and nine on the ground during the sweep. Seven of our fighters are missing.

**14TH USAF, HQ, CHUNGKING**

**15 March**  
Mitchells of the Fourteenth Air Force with fighter escort bombed the Kiangshan airdrome and seaplane anchorage on Hainan Island on 13 March. All reports so far received indicate direct hits on several buildings and the seaplane anchorage. Four buildings at the airdrome were left burning.

Our aircraft encountered anti-aircraft fire and were attacked by twelve enemy fighters, at least one of which was shot down and two were damaged. In addition three enemy aircraft were damaged on the ground.

American fighter-bombers attacked the railroad bridge at Puchl, in east-central China. Pilots report that direct hits were scored on approaches of the bridge.

From these missions one of our aircraft is missing.

Further reports of the Fourteenth Air Force raid on the Kiangshan airdrome on Hainan Island on 13 March confirm that four additional Japanese fighters were destroyed in the air and three probably destroyed. Heavy black smoke was seen rising from the target area.

On the night of 13-14 March two waves of Japanese medium bombers raided the air base at Suichuan, Kiangsi Province. Five raiders were believed damaged by our interceptors. Our installations suffered no damage.

The same night ten Japanese bombers attacked the airdrome at Hengyang, Hunan Province. The field suffered minor damage and two enemy aircraft were damaged by fire from the ground installations.

All our aircraft are safe.

**March 20**  
Fighter-bombers of the Fourteenth Air Force were active from 13-19 March in the Yangtze River area.

Near Pailuchi they strafed storehouses, a motor launch and a Japanese staff car.

P-40's on a large sweep of the Yangtze River sank one large sailboat and damaged a 300-foot transport. They were intercepted by six Japanese fighters east of Kiukiang. One Japanese aircraft was shot down.

Liberators on a sea sweep off the southwest China coast were attacked by a Japanese flying boat, which they destroyed.

Lightnings on an alert over a friendly air base intercepted and shot down one enemy twin-engined fighter.

Our Mitchells flew down the coast of French Indo-China and attacked with good results sawmills and lumber yards at Ben Thu. Many bombs hit in target areas. From these missions two of our aircraft are missing.

## Air Materiel Command

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growth under their hands was inspiration enough. A curbing factor was the limited appropriations of the lean years which had to be spread too thinly over the experimental investigations concerned by their inventiveness.

The Materiel Command laboratories, representing an investment of many millions of dollars, include a 400-mile per hour wind tunnel with two additional ones under construction—one for spin tests and the other for tests under high altitude temperatures; the largest propeller test rig in the world; static and dynamic structures testing equipment of the most advanced types; engine dynamometer and torque stands providing for horsepower looking well into the future; an aero medical laboratory where the effect of flight in all its phases upon

the human organism is investigated, in conjunction with the development of adequate oxygen equipment, cold resistant clothing, proper rationing for airmen and many other problems.

When the nation awoke to the fact that its scale conception of global war had to be revised to the greatest quantity production the world had ever known, the Materiel Command structure proved sound. Even the airplanes seized "from the shelf" and handed to the industry to start on as ready, although under early criticism, have produced such superior "box scores" that early opinion has had to be reversed. One of these, the P-40 operating in all theatres including North-west Africa destroyed 500 enemy aircraft and damaged 128, losing 204, from February 1942 to June 1943—scarcely a matter for apology. Another "off the shelf" type, the Flying Fortress will undoubtedly go down in history as one of the greatest airplanes of all times.

Other combat planes which have played major battle roles are B-24 Liberator, B-25 Mitchell, B-26 Marauder, A-20 Boston, P-39 Airacobra, P-38 Lightning, P-51 Mustang and P-47 Thunderbolt. These have all merited one brilliant encomium which has been quoted throughout the world—they can "take it" and get home though shot all to pieces.

That soundness of structure, that ruggedness has been built in through the years in the structures laboratory of the Materiel Command. It is the result of definite knowledge of structural types and materials. It was demonstrated early in our war experience by Wright Field pilots when several thousands of pounds of extra load were carried into flight without strain to structures. Thus by test was the basic information obtained as to what extent that extra load could be translated into extended range, extra bomb loads, added fire power for all types.

The range extension resulted in the fact that American bombers and even certain fighters were capable of being ferried to all theatres of operation and when there of accomplishing deep penetration into enemy territory. Our bombers are the only ones in the world that make a daily routine of over ocean shuttles. Our transports have inaugurated a world wide aerial transportation system that will undoubtedly extend its advantages into times of peace.

This structural soundness together with high performance characteristics has also contributed another combat advantage to our flying craft—that of a highly fluent versatility. The Flying Fortress in 1942 astonished the world by proving its ability to carry out successful precision bombing missions over enemy territory, not only by day light, but without fighter protection. The turbosupercharger, for the development of which the Materiel Command, together with Dr. Sanford Moss, received the Collier Trophy, in 1940, and the precision bomb sight were important aids in making this achievement possible.

The versatility of our fighters has also proved remarkable and provide operation for medium altitude, high altitude, and ground strafing. The P-38 can answer to all three of these requirements. All types of fighters can be hung with bombs and have successfully performed many medium and light bombing missions. When needed for photographic missions they are rigged with cameras and also answer that call.

It would be an impossible task to do justice in so brief an article to the items of basic equipment developed or sponsored by the Materiel Command which

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Besides the development of fighting materials and equipment it is the function of the Materiel Command to procure them and foster them through production stages, until ready for service. The entire processing of contracts for the prosecution of expanded production was accomplished here.

The Command likewise played a prime role in the organization of the entire aircraft industry for the all-out war output, the scope and extent of which task is almost impossible of conception.

The "impossible" however was envisioned by engineering minds as large, at least collectively, as the task, and the performance and numbers of our aircraft in battle are an eloquent answer.

The war will be won in time, the Materiel Command being one of the strong contributors to Victory. As to the peace—the airplanes of the future are already on Materiel Command drawing boards.

## Calendar of Legislation

### ACTION ON LEGISLATION

S. 1250. Repeals provisions of Act of 17 May, 1926, concerning forfeiture of pay of persons absent from military duty because of contraction of venereal disease. Reported by House Military Committee. Amended.

S. 1349. Authorizes the conveying to the city of New York of certain lands within the Brooklyn Navy Yard. Passed by House. To President.

S. 1428. Authorizes payment of 6 months' death gratuity only to living beneficiaries and not to estate of a deceased beneficiary. Passed by House. To President.

S. 1650. Authorizes the Secretary of the Navy to accept gifts and bequests for the U. S. Naval Academy. Passed, amended, by House.

S. 1647. Provides that bonded personnel in the Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard shall have bonds continued by payment and acceptance of premiums. Passed, amended to include the Army, by House.

S. 1653. Provides titles for the heads of staff departments in the U. S. Marine Corps. Passed by House. To President.

S. 1635. Provides that the teacher of music at West Point shall receive the pay of a captain instead of that of the third pay period. Passed by House. To President.

S. 1410. Authorizes Army officers with less than 28 years' commissioned service to be appointed brigadier generals up to 25 per cent of authorized total of brigadier generals. House amendment agreed to by Senate. To President.

S. 1771. Authorizes appropriation of \$65,000,000 for additional ordnance facilities for the Navy. Reported by Senate Naval Committee.

H. R. 4219. To provide for the appointment of female pilots and aviation cadets in the Air Forces of the Army. Reported by House Military Committee.

S. 1767. Providing federal aid for the readjustment in civilian life of veterans of the present war. Reported by Senate Finance Committee.

### BILLS INTRODUCED

S. 1787. Sen. Tobey, N. H. Provides for increase of 50 per cent in pay of combat troops.

S. 1781. Sen. Johnson, Col. To provide full military rank for members of the Army Nurse Corps, dietitians, and physical therapy aides.

S. 1795. Sen. Reynolds, N. C., and H. R. 4456. Rep. May, Ky. Authorizes settlement of accounts of deceased officers and enlisted personnel of the Army up to \$1,000. Present law sets a limit of \$500.

S. 1790. Sen. McCarran, Nev. To create an independent Civil Aeronautics Authority and an independent Air Safety Board, to promote the development and safety and to provide for the regulation of civil aeronautics and to assure to the United States, world leadership in aviation.

S. 1801. Sen. Walsh, Mass. To authorize the Secretary of the Navy to convey to the Virginian Railway Company, for railroad yard-enlargement purposes, a parcel of land of the Camp Allen Reservation at Norfolk, Va.

H. R. 4434. Rep. Starnes, Ala. To provide for the payment of accumulated or accrued

leave to members of the armed forces of the United States who enter or reenter civilian employment of the U. S., its Territories, or possessions, or the District of Columbia, before the expiration of such leave.

H. R. 4445. Rep. Bolton, Ohio. Authorizes temporary appointment as officers in the AUS of members of the Army Nurse Corps, dietitians, and physical therapy personnel of the Medical Department of the Army.

## Awards and Decorations

### Medal of Honor

\*Pvt. Junior N. Van Noy, CE, New Guinea. "When wounded late in September, Private Van Noy declined evacuation and continued on duty. On October 17, 1943, he was gunner in charge of a machine gun post only five yards from the water's edge when the alarm was given that three enemy barges loaded with troops were approaching the beach in the early morning darkness. One landing barge was sunk by Allied fire, but the other two beached ten yards from Private Van Noy's emplacement. Despite his exposed position, he poured a withering hail of fire into the debarking enemy troops. His loader was wounded by a grenade and evacuated. Private Van Noy, also grievously wounded, remained at his post, ignoring calls of nearby soldiers urging him to withdraw, and continued to fire with deadly accuracy. He expended every round and was found, covered with wounds, dead beside his gun. In this action Private Van Noy killed at least half of the thirty-nine enemy taking part in the landing. His heroic tenacity at the price of his life not only saved the lives of many of his comrades, but enabled them to annihilate the attacking detachment."

### Distinguished Service Medal

Commo. L. F. Reifsnider, USN, Am. Force Comdr. in Bougainville area.

Vice Adm. T. C. Kinkaid, USN, G. S. in lieu of third USM.

### Navy Cross

Lt. A. H. Sallenger, USNR, anti sub. attacks. Comdr. A. H. Richards, USN, Comdr. of Mine Sweeper attack.

Capt. J. M. Higgins, USN, New Georgia, Is. x Lt. Comdr. M. J. Klein, USN, submarine war.

Lt. (jg) F. B. Begor, (MC) USNR, New Guinea.

CWO F. J. Murphy, USN, Bougainville.

Lt. Comdr. C. H. Hutchins, USNR, submarine war.

### Legion of Merit

Rear Adm. John Wilkes, USN, Sicily.

Commo. W. B. Phillips, USN, Sicily.

Comdr. A. H. Richards, USN, Italy.

Rear Adm. S. S. Lewis, USN, Sicily.

Capt. W. O. Bailey, USN, (GS), Sicily.

Capt. G. C. Dwyer, USN, (GS), Italy.

Capt. G. F. Menocal, USN, (GS), Italy.

Capt. F. M. Adams, USN, Italy.

Capt. K. S. Reed, USN, Italy.

Lt. Comdr. G. S. Lambert, USN, sub attack.

Capt. W. C. Ansel, USN, Sicily.

Capt. D. W. Loomis, USN, Sicily.

Capt. D. L. Madeira, USN, Sicily.

Capt. L. J. Mason, USN, Sicily.

Capt. O. F. Ritchie, USNR, Sicily.

Capt. W. D. Wright, Jr., USN, Sicily.

Maj. R. L. Clifford, AUS, Sicily.

Maj. R. L. Tyler, AAF, Sicily.

Brig. Gen. H. A. Barber, Jr., USA, Ch. Latin Am. theater and N. A. theater of Op. Div.

Brig. Gen. R. S. Ramey, USA, C. Cav. Sc. Ft. Riley, Kans.

Col. M. J. Asensio, CE, Con. Air Bases in Brazil.

Col. R. D. Brown, CA, GSC, M. Attache Belgium.

Col. W. R. Gerhardt, OD, ADB of TD, C. of Ord.

Col. C. C. McCormack, MC, GSC, Fourth Army.

Col. J. M. Thompson, Cav., GSC, Asst. C. of S., 4. and D. of S&SD, 4 Corps Area.

Lt. Col. G. S. Eckhardt, GSC, Asst. S. of S.

Lt. Col. M. J. Kelly, FD, CO FRTC.

Lt. Col. August Schomburg, OD, Ord. PC, Canada.

Col. D. M. Ashton, GSC, QM, Alaska.

Award of the Legion of Merit for outstanding service in overseas theaters of operation to the following was announced by the War Department 24 March:

Col. O. E. Connd, QMC, Col. J. B. Fraser, CAC, Col. F. L. Johnson, SRC, Col. D. W. Titus, AC, Col. H. G. Yoder, CE, Lt. Col. A. E. Hebert, AC, Lt. Col. R. P. Shea, TC, Lt. Col. W. A. Weaver, OD, Lt. Col. E. J. Welte, CAC, Maj. J. A. Buckholder, CE, Maj. J. W. Doverspike, CE, Maj. B. M. Holden, Jr., CAC, Capt. C. F. Hegz, CAC, Capt. John Olovsky, CE, CWO F. F. Royce, USA, M. Sgt. W. H. Bryan, AC, M. Sgt. J. C. Owens, CE, M. Sgt. T. Yeager, AC, T. Sgt. C. R. Blazek, Inf., St. Sgt. R. E. Geest, AC.

### Silver Star

Comdr. J. B. Fellows, Jr., USN, Rendova and New Georgia Islands.

Lt. Comdr. R. S. Rogers, USN, sub. war.

Lt. H. F. Kreuzburg, MC, USNR, S. Pacific area.

Lt. William Villiella, USN, CO, TLS in Solomon Is. area.

Lt. Comdr. W. E. Page, MC, USNR, Bougainville.

Capt. C. M. Fowler, USMC, Bougainville.

1st Lt. R. W. Dorrell, USMC, Bougainville.

1st Lt. H. T. Hefflin, USMC, Bougainville.

Sgt. W. D. Humphrey, USMC, Bougainville.

Sgt. T. J. Bell, Jr., USMC, Bougainville.

Sgt. Rudolph Rott, USMC, Bougainville.

Sgt. R. B. Williams, USMC, Bougainville.

Sgt. L. L. Thornton, USMC, Bougainville.

P. Sgt. L. C. Cleary, USMC, Bougainville.

Cpl. H. J. Doane, USMC, Bougainville.

Pfc. Nell Overton, USMC, Bougainville.

H. Ap. 1c J. H. Lindsey, USNR, Bougainville.

Lt. A. H. Sallenger, USNR, air attack on enemy sub.

The following members of the Army Nurse Corps were awarded the Silver Star for coolness and efficiency during concentrated shelling of field hospital in Italy: 1st Lt. M. L. Roberts, 2nd Lt. E. A. Roe and 2nd Lt. R. V. Rourke.

### Distinguished Flying Cross

Lt. Comdr. J. T. Blackburn, USN, Solomon

## Islands area.

Award of DFC (or OLC) to following members of the Army Eighth Bomber Command in England was announced 19 March:

1st Lt. W. L. Goodman T. Sgt. K. F. Fitzsimmons

1st Lt. D. E. Rowan, Sgt. L. J. Moerle

S. Sgt. C. L. Stearnman S. Sgt. L. M. Angevine

T. Sgt. W. G. Morton (OLC)

T. Sgt. W. A. Baum

Capt. D. D. Hutchens T. Sgt. A. C. Steffens

Capt. J. V. Lemmon 1st Lt. L. E. Pearson

1st Lt. W. H. Dickenson 1st Lt. W. M. Schrimpf

1st Lt. S. G. Parsons T. Sgt. A. D. H. Ward

T. Sgt. J. A. Wood (OLC)

1st Lt. W. K. McMullen (OLC)

Capt. J. T. Gladstone T. Sgt. J. S. Henyecs

Capt. D. A. R. Teller T. Sgt. Theodore Kaczka

T. Sgt. D. F. Gorham T. Sgt. C. R. Clark

T. Sgt. R. L. Long S. Sgt. D. H. Fagersten

T. Sgt. R. H. Terrell S. Sgt. T. R. J. Jr.

S. Sgt. J. B. Abbott T. Sgt. F. E. Hilliard

S. Sgt. T. C. Tryon 1st Lt. J. P. Sullivan

S. Sgt. G. S. Bonnell 2nd (OLC)

Capt. J. H. Lewis Sgt. D. G. Pierce

1st Lt. W. C. Hern (OLC)

T. Sgt. J. E. Holland 1st Lt. L. A. Lake, Jr.

T. Sgt. G. F. Phillips 1st Lt. J. C. McParlin

T. Sgt. H. L. Reagan 1st Lt. R. E. Rylands

T. Sgt. V. P. Long 2nd Lt. J. G. Paynter

\*Maj. W. N. Anderson T. Sgt. R. E. King

1st Lt. H. J. Task S. Sgt. W. J. Dolan, Jr.

2nd Lt. A. Q. Winholt S. Sgt. J. J. Funicello

S. Sgt. W. L. Hoofs S. Sgt. C. D. Ripley

S. Sgt. L. N. Bresnahan (OLC) Pfc. T. Notargiacomo

S. Sgt. J. E. Baker T. Sgt. L. W. Pitkells

S. Sgt. W. L. Wood T. Sgt. R. D. Vogel

Capt. M. D. Dix Capt. P. G. Moore

1st Lt. R. M. Kemper 1st Lt. C. L. George

S. Sgt. C. E. Purdy T. Sgt. P. A. Toltia

S. Sgt. W. E. Cosby T. Sgt. R. O. Roby, Jr.

(OLC) T. Sgt. J. C. Pincen

T. Sgt. C. H. Sears (OLC)

S. Sgt. J. A. Shirley Maj. K. R. Mitchell

S. Sgt. R. G. Tichy Capt. G. G. Black

S. Sgt. C. U. Simmons 1st Lt. W. N. Burkett

(OLC) T. Sgt. E. Gates, Jr.

1st Lt. L. J. Lockwood T. Sgt. J. L. Walker

S. Sgt. C. H. Marson 1st Lt. R. L. Fallow

S. Sgt. H. J. Sonney T. Sgt. K. E. Tricker

1st Lt. L. G. Travis 1st Lt. D. H. Davis

(OLC) T. Sgt. R. C. Koch

S. Sgt. D. J. Antonelli T. Sgt. E. A. Neumann

(OLC) T. Sgt. A. J. Pazalowski

Capt. K. W. Gurney T. Sgt. E. J. Schmidt

1st Lt. Samuel Acquaviva S. Sgt. J. J. Spellman

T. Sgt. H. C. Cordery S. Sgt. F. M. Rogers

T. Sgt. J. H. Delaney (OLC)

S. Sgt. F. M. Joubert Capt. J. E. Asmussen

S. Sgt. W. F. Jay T. Sgt. B. H. Perlmutter

S. Sgt. R. G. Morrison (OLC)

1st Lt. A. J. Walker 1st Lt. H. F. Krell, Jr.

Capt. D. E. Rasnussen S. Sgt. L. W. Northcott

S. Sgt. C. W. McGrane S. Sgt. B. L. Freeman

Sgt. G. E. Moffat (OLC)

1st Lt. W. J. O'Connell

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S. Sgt. C. W. Moore T. Sgt. E. A. Litz  
(OLC) Lt. Col. W. S. Raper

Capt. L. A. Brumley (OLC)

Capt. Noble M. Johnson T. Sgt. R. D. Wootton

Capt. W. M. Roberts 1st Lt. A. B. Ashcraft, Jr.

1st Lt. M. L. Clark 1st Lt. W. F. Tison, 3d

1st Lt. I. G. Jobe Capt. E. W. Roger

2nd Lt. C. A. Moore Capt. P. R. Ziegler

S. Sgt. F. B. Barnett T. Sgt. M. W. Knutson

S. Sgt. H. K. Twing T. Sgt. C. T. Erickson

T. Sgt. C. G. Wickham S. Sgt. B. H. Johnson

(OLC) Capt. D. Fuhrmeister

1st Lt. F. M. Werth Capt. E. M. Murphy

Capt. D. H. Thwaites

### Air Medal

AMM2c J. H. O'Hagan, USNR, air attack on enemy sub.

### Letter of Commendation

MMMic J. H. Marks, USN, submarine war patrols.

\*—Posthumous award.  
x—Missing.

## Army Promotions

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2nd Lt. to 1st Lt.—Cont.

G. R. Andretta, MAC J. K. Galvin, AC

J. H. Gardner, AC J. D. Bloom, MAC

C. Cummis, CAC D. C. Tansel, OD

B. N. Dorn, Jr., AC M. L. Coughlin, WAC

E. S. Kelly, AC L. J. Reese, AC

J. A. Ze Millia, AC J. H. Tomanchek, AC

D. O'Bryan, CE V. J. Phelps, WAC

J. C. Hulta, AC F. J. Devine, AC

N. D. Datz, AC F. P. Harria, AC

J. Marinoff, AC B. J. Tope, CAC

L. Rubin, AC B. E. Ey, AC

I. E. Kayden, CAC E. W. Turner, AC

B. G. Distler, AC E. W. Durant, AC

D. G. Bishop, Sig C M. V. Clark, Sig C

L. H. Rhodes, CMP V. J. Phelps, WAC

M. J. Baruch, AC J. B. Vardeman, CAC

D. B. Hecht, AC W. L. Wright, AC

H. A. Barnes, WAC J. E. Williams, QMC

A. L. Walker, WAC R. B. Sylvester, Sig C

V. E. Ruditsky, WAC R. E. Currier, CAC

A. Hart, CAC A. L. Haffie, AC

A. Kresch, AC H. H. Pryse, CE

J. T. Byrne, FA D. N. High, CAC

A. A. Palombo, FA W. F. Redmon, TC

H. H. Keenan, Sig C D. N. Beers, TC

C. Yeager, WAC R. W. Fellows, Int.

E. M. Cornwell, WAC R. G. Francis, AC

J. B. Kenney, AC P. E. Huddleston, AC

J. E. Weick, WAC J. J. Klausner, AC

W. C. H. Holder, AC R. E. Nath, AC

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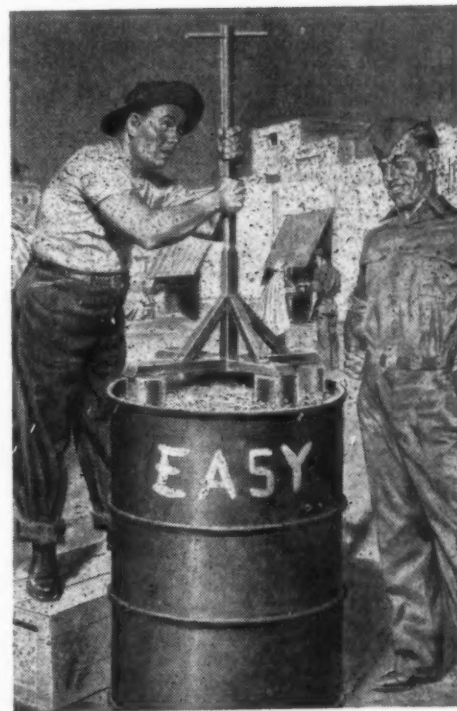
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E. M. Sullivan, ANC

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Rear Admiral and Mrs. Clark H. Woodward entertained at dinner last night at the Shoreham Hotel.

General John L. Hines, former Chief of Staff, and Mrs. Hines have come to Washington from Cincinnati, where they spent the winter and are with their daughter, Mrs. Hines Cleland at her home on Military Road. They will remain until late Spring when they will go to White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., where they have a summer home.

The usual monthly Sunday "At Home" for Major General and Mrs. Norman T. Kirk, at their residence, Army Medical Center, will be omitted until late in the year.

The Commandant of the Navy Yard at Charleston, S. C., and Mrs. Jules James entertained the British Ambassador and Lady Halifax at luncheon when they visited there the beginning of this past week.

Col. Lucius K. Patterson, MC, USA, has gone overseas, and Mrs. Patterson who has been living at 4530 Trowbridge St., in El Paso, Tex., has moved to 3015 Altura Boulevard, El Paso, where she will be for the duration. Their son, Lt. Lucius K. Patterson, jr., ("Pat") is in England.

Brig. Gen. T. K. Brown being now overseas, Mrs. Brown has gone to Asheville, N. C., and is making her home there at 73 Cherry Street. She was called to the bed-side of their son, Capt. Tim. Brown in Georgia, but he being now on the road to recovery, she is back in Asheville. Lt. Col. George Brown, another son, is serving with the Army Air Forces overseas.

Capt. Clarence N. Hincamp, USN, of the Naval Operating Base in Norfolk was in Washington last week and was accompanied by Mrs. Hincamp. They were entertained by their many friends. Among

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## SERVICE SOCIAL NEWS



MISS KATHRYN J. SCOVEL

whose engagement to Lt. John W. Fordyce, USA, son of Lt. Col. and Mrs. Chester Fordyce, of Fairfield, Iowa, and Columbus, Ga., has recently been announced by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin L. Scovel, of West Newton, Mass., and Laconia, N. H.

social gatherings given for them was that of Capt. and Mrs. G. L. Schuyler. They were house guests of Comdr. and Mrs. Charles C. Windsor at 2232 Mass. Ave.

Capt. French Moore, after a tour of twenty months in the Pacific, is now on duty at the National Naval Medical Center, and he and Mrs. Moore are living at Bethesda, Md., after staying with Capt. and Mrs. F. W. Holt on Essex Ave., Somerset, Md.

Mrs. Culhane, wife of Capt. R. Jerald Culhane, Inf., with their eleven months old daughter, Barbara Anne, is with her parents, Col. and Mrs. J. Huntington Hills, at 4721 Colorado Ave., N. W., in Washington. Captain Culhane being on foreign service.

Mrs. Asa M. Lehman, Regent of Merion Chapter, D.A.R., entertained the members of the Chapter at her home in Ardmore, Pa., recently. She will attend the National Congress of the D.A.R. in New York City, accompanied by her alternate, Mrs. Frederick Poole, sister of General H. H. Arnold. Mrs. Lehman and her mother, Mrs. William C. McClintock, are occupying their old home in Ardmore for the duration, while Col. Lehman and their son Capt. Hugh Roberts Lehman are overseas. Miss Marjorie Ann Wilson, fiancée of Capt. Lehman has recently been Mrs. Lehman's house guest.

Col. and Mrs. Thomas Wadleton are now residents of Indianapolis having purchased "Corner House" at 160 Buckingham Drive in that city. Mrs. Wadleton has written a number of books under the name of Maggie Owen Wadleton. Their 17-year-old son, Tommy Wadleton, also is an author.

Mrs. Ben Lear, wife of Lt. Gen. Lear was hostess Tuesday last at a luncheon at the Army-Navy Club for Mrs. Robert M. Cheney who has been making a series of visits with old friends in Washington and was her house guest. One of her hostesses was Mrs. Henry I. Hodges who asked friends to meet her at tea. After spending some time at Lexington, Va., Mrs. Cheney will join Col. Cheney in San Antonio, Tex., where they have been making their home since his retirement.

Mrs. Clyde H. Metcalf, wife of Col. Metcalf, USMC, has returned to Wash-  
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### Weddings and Engagements

THE marriage of Miss Helen Gloria Hyssong, daughter of Brig. Gen. and Mrs. Clyde Lloyd Hyssong, and Maj. William George Walker, jr., USAAF united two army families when the principals exchanged vows at the Officers' Club at the Army War College, Saturday, 18 March. Chaplain Harry Lee Viridin officiated. The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore an ivory satin gown made with court train and veiled in heirloom lace, belonging to her husband's family. Her flowers were lilacs and orchids. Miss Barrie Walker, as flower girl was the bride's only attendant.

Lt. James H. Walker served his brother as best man. Ushering were Maj. Virgil Kinniard, Maj. John C. A. Watkins, Capt. Cook Jordan and Lt. Charles Buchman.

A reception followed and after a wedding trip to New York, the couple will be at home at Fort Leavenworth, Kas.

Major Walker entered the Air Corps in 1940. His bride attended Randolph-Macon Women's College in Lynchburg and became affiliated with Pi Beta Phi. She has lately been attending George Washington University in Washington.

Brig. Gen. and Mrs. Archibald V. Arnold have announced the engagement of their daughter, Margaret Cornell, to Lt. George Ball, USN, the wedding to take place 1 April.

General Arnold is stationed in the Pacific where he commanded the artillery in the invasion of the Marshall Islands. Mrs. Arnold has come on from their home at Carmel, Calif., and is staying at Wardman Park, Washington, D. C.

Miss Arnold is well known in Washington. She was graduated from Masters School, Dobbs Ferry, and the University of North Carolina. She is a granddaughter of the late Maj. Gen. Charles G. Treat.

Her fiancé, son of the late Capt. George G. Ball, USA, and of Mrs. Robert M. Bathurst is a graduate of the U. S. Naval Academy, class of 41, and has been on duty for the past two years in the Pacific.

Brig. Gen. Larry B. McAfee, Medical Department, U. S. Army, announces the engagement of his daughter, Marjorie, to Lt. Col. Frank Eugene Davis, Inf., AUS, son of Mrs. Elsie C. Davis of La Porte, Texas.

Col. and Mrs. Livingston Watrous, GSC, USA, announce the marriage of their daughter, Margaret VanDerlip Watrous, American Red Cross, to Maj. John Robertson Dunn Crichton, Royal Artillery, British Army, at Trinity Church, Algiers, Morocco, on 8 March, 1944.

Miss Helen Margaret Greene, daughter of Lt. Col. Ernest Greene, AUS, serving overseas, and Mrs. Greene, of Tucson, Ariz., became the bride of Lt. Halford W. Park, jr., USNR, son of Mr. Park of Greenwich, Conn., and the late Mrs. Helen Curtis Park, Saturday, 18 March, in New York City.

The bride wore a gown of heavy ivory satin with full skirt and fitted bodice and wore a veil of heirloom Brussels lace over tulle.

Miss Audrey Strong, step-sister of the bridegroom was maid of honor and bride's maids were the Misses Anne Nichols, Muriel Case and Helen Beaumont Park, the bridegroom's sister.

The best man was the bridegroom's step-brother, Mr. H. J. Templeton Strong and ushers were Lt. Charles L. Poor, 3rd., USNR, Sgt. Robert Goodman AUS and Mr. John Perkins.

Lt. Park is a grandson of the late Maj. Edwin S. Curtis, USA.

At the marriage of Miss Jane McIlwraith, daughter of Mrs. Frederick Ilwraith of London, England, and Lt. Col. Walter Barton Leach, U. S. Army Air Forces, at All Souls Unitarian Church in Washington 11 March. Col. Leach had as his ushers Col. Guido R. Perera, Lieut. Col. Richard E. Elwell,

Lieut. Col. Arthur M. Wood, Major Frank S. Rigghelmer jr., Capt. Oliver W. Hammonds and Lieut. Pandia C. Rall, all with the U. S. Army Air Force. Mr. Gordon L. Leach of Wellesley Farms, Mass., was best man. Miss Isabelle Haynes was the bride's only attendant.

The bride has been employed at the British Embassy in Washington.

Col. and Mrs. Clarence A. Mitchell of Carmel are announcing the marriage of their daughter Joan Baker Mitchell to Mr. H. Prescott Jones of Oakland.

Miss Mitchell attended Radford School for Girls, El Paso, Atlanta Girls High and was graduated from University of California on 27 Feb. She is the sister of Mrs. E. McD. Serren and Clarence A. Mitchell, jr., of the First Class USMA.

Mr. Jones was graduated from San Jose State College and attended U. of C. and is at present at the Reno Air Base.

Miss Margery Arbenz Smith, daughter of Col. and Mrs. Charles Richardson Smith, became the bride of First Lt. John Franklin Caperton, jr., U. S. Army Air Corps, at a ceremony solemnized in the Grace Episcopal Church, Colorado Springs, Colo., on Saturday, 11 March.

In the absence of the bride's father, who is stationed with the Air Transport Command in India, Col. William Lewis, commanding officer at Peterson Field, gave Miss Smith in marriage.

She wore a period gown of silk mousseline de soie over white taffeta, trimmed with seed pearl embroidery a tulle veil held by strands of pearls and orange blossoms, and an orchid topped her white prayer book. Miss Peggy Stenhouse was maid of honor. A reception was held at the Antlers Hotel.

The bride received her schooling at Friends Select, Philadelphia, Pa.; Miss Harker's School at Palo Alto, Calif.; the University of New Mexico and Kansas University.

Lieutenant Caperton received his early schooling in Cuba, his former home; Emory Preparatory School in Atlanta, Ga., and Southern Methodist University in Dallas, Texas. He is a member of Delta Chi Fraternity. He is now an instructor at Peterson field after 17 months in Australia and New Guinea. He has been awarded the Purple Heart, the Distinguished Flying Cross, the air medal and the Presidential Citation for the 19th Bombardment group.

They are making their home in Colorado Springs.

Walter Reed Memorial Chapel was the setting for the wedding on 11 March of Miss Velma Jeanne Kepner to Lt. John Wise Pearson.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Vernon Kepner, of Chevy Chase, and Lt. Pearson is the son of Col. and Mrs. Raymond William Pearson, of Ft. Douglas, Utah.

Officiating at the 8:00 o'clock service, was the Army Chaplain, Lt. Col. Donald C. Stuart. The chapel was beautifully decorated with scores of white tapers, standards of spring flowers, and a back-  
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## Posts and Stations

### ANNAPOLIS, MD. 20 March

Mrs. William P. Upshur, widow of the late General Upshur, USMC, has returned from Coconut Grove, Fla., where she was the guest of Mrs. Thomas Hancock and is visiting her sisters, the Misses Munford, at their apartment on Maryland Avenue.

Capt. H. H. Cooley and his daughter, Miss Virginia Cooley, were in New York for the week-end, staying with Capt. Cooley's son and daughter-in-law, Lt. and Mrs. H. H. Cooley, Jr.

Capt. William S. Teasley has returned from foreign duty and is spending his leave with his family at the Cooper apartments.

Capt. J. Q. Owsley, MC, USA, and Mrs. Owsley entertained Comdr. and Mrs. Gerald Smith, of Philadelphia, over the week-end.

Comdr. and Mrs. Raymond Stone have returned home after spending six weeks at Clearwater, Fla.

Mrs. Robert Guis, wife of Lt. Guis, USN, has returned from a visit at the home of her husband's parents, Mr. and Mrs. August Guis in Wisconsin, and is staying with her parents, Captain and Mrs. Earl Morrissey.

Lt. Ridgely P. Melvin, Jr., USNR, who has been on duty in the Pacific is spending his leave with his parents, Judge and Mrs. Ridgely P. Melvin, at their home on South River.

Mrs. Walter J. Stuart, wife of Colonel Stuart, USMC, and her son, David, of Washington, have been visiting Mrs. T. G. Hall, of Murray Avenue.

Mrs. Thomas M. Bennett, wife of Lt. Bennett, USN, and her son, Thomas, have arrived from California and are visiting Mrs. Bennett's parents, Prof. and Mrs. Joseph M. Purdie.

### NORFOLK, VIRGINIA 23 March 1944

The outstanding event in Navy and local society circles during the week just past, was the marriage of one of Norfolk's most popular girls, Miss Ellen Bell Hoggard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Page Hoggard, to Lt. Edward Lawrence Ryan, Jr., USNR, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Lawrence Ryan of Richmond. The ceremony took place Saturday night in Old St. Paul's Church with the Rev. Moutrie Guerry, rector of the church, officiating, followed by a reception at the home of the bride's uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander H. Bell on Westover Avenue. Lieutenant and Mrs. Ryan will make their home for the present in Philadelphia where the former is stationed. A number of enjoyable parties were given for the bride couple during the week preceding the marriage. They were guests of honor at a cocktail party Thursday night given by Lieutenant Ryan's groomsmen at "The Hermitage", home of Mrs. William Sloane, in Lochaven, and on Friday night preceding the rehearsal for the wedding, Mrs. J. Y. S. Mitchell entertained the bridal party at a dinner given at her home in Warren Crescent, honoring the bride, who is her niece.

Mrs. Edward C. Raguet, wife of Captain Raguet was hostess on Thursday at a luncheon given at her home in the Naval Operating Base, in honor of Mrs. Ralph Ralston of Tucson, Ariz., who is the house guest of her brother and sister-in-law, Rear Adm. and Mrs. David M. Le Breton, at their quarters in the Base. Covers were laid for six.

Lt. and Mrs. DeWitt M. Patterson, whose marriage took place recently in the Chapel of the Naval Academy in Annapolis, were guests last week of Miss Betty Lühring at her home in North Shore Point. Mrs. Patterson, now an ensign in the USNR, is the former Miss Nancy Jane Schetky, daughter of Captain and Mrs. Gerald Larence Schetky of Newport, R. I. She was sponsor at the launching of the USS Scabbardfish at Portsmouth, N. H.

Capt. and Mrs. Earl W. Morris have returned to their home in Annapolis after spending ten days as guests of Lt. Comdr. and Mrs. Isaac T. Walke, Jr., at their home on Princess Anne Road. Lt. Comdr. and Mrs. Walke had also as their week-end guest, Comdr. Ross Winkler of Philadelphia.

Lt. Comdr. and Mrs. Clifford D. Foster, Jr., and their two daughters, Maxine and Judith Anne, and Mrs. Foster's mother, Mrs. Beila Afflerbaugh, who have been residing in the Larchmont apartments, have gone to Long Beach, Calif., where Lt. Comdr. Foster has been ordered for duty.

### WAC Lieutenant Colonel

Maj. Katherine R. Goodwin, Women's Army Corps Staff Director for the Army Service Forces, on 20 March became the eighth lieutenant colonel in the WAC.

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## Society

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ington after a visit with her son-in-law and daughter, Capt. and Mrs. Daniel Kline at Edenton, N. C.

Col. Edwin B. Broadhurst, USA, has brought his bride, the former Miss Viola Seubert of Cottonwood, Idaho, to Washington and they have an apartment at Dorchester House. Col. Broadhurst, a graduate of West Point was on duty at Colorado Springs before coming to Washington for station.

Mrs. Frank J. Morrow, wife of Col. Morrow has cards out for a luncheon in honor of Lady Halifax, wife of the British Ambassador, at the Sulgrave Club 1 April.

### The Searchlight

(Navy—Address: The Searchlight, U. S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, Md.)

IN many a letter received by SEARCHLIGHT the writer gives us an address in answer to a name in the wanted column and also mentions the last approximate date she knew the address to be good and current. This latter information is extremely helpful as we date our file cards. Also in case we get more than one answer we are assured of the more current address. Requests are waiting for information of the whereabouts of:

Mrs. Horace B. Butterfield, wife of Capt. USN, '22; Mrs. Thomas Ashworth, Jr., wife of Comdr. USN, '31; Mrs. M. H. Austin, wife of Lt. C. USN, '35; Mrs. J. R. Banks, wife of Lt. USN, '39; Mrs. A. Berg, wife of Lt. USNR; Mrs. Robert Bird, wife of Ens. USN, '44; Mrs. Ovid McM. Butler, wife of Lt. C. USN, '36; Mrs. Albert E. Chapman, wife of Comdr. USN, '22; Mrs. Geo. N. Crasland, wife of Comdr. (DC) USN; Mrs. L. E. Gunther, wife of Comdr. USN, '26; Mrs. Frederick E. Haebler, wife of Capt. USN, '16; Mrs. Chas. R. Jeffs, wife of Capt. USN; Mrs. G. F. Jones, wife of Capt. USMC; Mrs. Geo. C. Kriner, wife of Capt. USN, '15; Miss Harriet Lewis, daughter of Capt. Spencer Lewis, USN; Mrs. Harold M. MacKinnon, wife of Comdr. USN, '25; Family of Ens. Meneses, USNR; Mrs. J. A. McGoldrick, wife of Comdr. USN, '31; Mrs. Schuyler Mills, wife of Capt. USN; Mrs. John C. McQueen, wife of Capt. USN, '21; Mrs. Wm. F. McLaren, wife of Lt. C. USN, '35; Mrs. Sam Nixdorf, wife of Lt. C. USN, '35; Mrs. Lemuel P. Padgett, wife of Capt. USN, '20; Mrs. Frank M. Ralston, II, wife of Lt. USN; Mrs. Frank E. Ridgely, wife of R. Ad. USN; Mrs. J. S. Russell, wife of Comdr. USN, '26; Mrs. Wm. A. Sullivan, wife of Lt. C. USN, '35; Mrs. Paul H. Talbot, wife of Capt. USN, '19; Mrs. Robert Hudson Taylor, wife of Comdr. USN, '30; Miss Beulah Tyler, daughter of Capt. Geo. (MC) USN; Mrs. Frank M. Whitaker, wife of Lt. C. USN, '34; Mrs. A. F. White, wife of Comdr. USN, '20.

### The Locators

(Army—Address: The Locators, P. O. Box 587, Ft. Leavenworth, Kan.)

THE XI Brigade of The Locators' "Foreign Legion" will be leaving in a few days. Its members are: Mrs. Robert J. Wolotira, Mrs. Henry M. Leigh, Mrs. T. J. Moran, Mrs. W. S. Svenson, Mrs. C. J. Finn, Mrs. R. Morales-Boyer, Mrs. C. L. Rickenbaugh, Mrs. V. L. Baylan, Mrs. M. Whalen, Mrs. C. E. Leydecker, Mrs. A. E. Walker, Mrs. David G. Lloyd, and Mrs. C. B. King.

The Locators extend thanks to these girls—gone but not forgotten.

The Locators will appreciate any help that you can give in locating the following:

Mrs. Frank A. Allen (Brig. Gen.); Mrs. Philip L. Blackmore (Gladys) (Col., Ord.); Mrs. Carleton Bond (Col., AC); Mrs. Louis Carter (Col., deceased); Mrs. John Chandler (Bert); Mrs. Ben E. Cordell (Rhelsa) (Col.); Mrs. James G. Devine (Col. (?) CA); Mrs. William F. Freehoff (Zola) (Col., Int.); Mrs. Arthur G. Fisher (Col., AC-Ref.); Mrs. John Lindley Gammell (Marie) (Lt. Col., FA-Ref.); Mrs. John F. Gamber (Maj.); Mrs. Jesse L. Gibney (Helen) (Col., Int.); Mrs. W. G. Gilbert (Lt. or WO); Mrs. Benj. Hartl (Doris) (Maj.); Mrs. Francis E. Howard (Maj., Int.); Mrs. Harry Howard (Virginia) (Lt., Cav.); Mrs. Jarrett M. Huddleston (Helen) (Col., MC); Mrs. Chas. F. Hudson (Elizabeth) (Col.); Mrs. Chas. H. Jones (Rose Clark) (Col., Int.); Mrs. John Jones (Helen Montgomery) (Col., Int.); Mrs. Otto Lange (Maj. Gen., Int.); Mrs. Mason Lucas (Georgia) (? FA); Mrs. Edwin T. May (Marjorie) (Col., Int.); Mrs. Hamilton Moody (Lt. Col., AC); Mrs. Millard F. W. Oliver (Col., Fin.); Mrs. Edwin L. Parker (Maj. Gen.); Mrs. Phillip H. Pope (Jane) (Lt. Col., FA); Mrs. R. Roberts (Myrtle M.) (Lt. Col.); Mrs. Jack Rowley (Capt., AC); Mrs. Beverly E. Smith (Mary) (? MC); Mrs. Chas. L. Watson (Amy) (Maj., SC).

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## Weddings and Engagements

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ground of ferns. Given in marriage by her father, the bride was costumed in a gown of silk marquisette, and imported princess lace. Her full length veil of illusion was held with a coronet of gardenias, and she carried a cascade bouquet of the same flowers, centered with orchids.

Maid of honor was Miss Dorothy Laubengayer. Miss Katharine Rolph and Miss Judy Marbury were the bridesmaids. Col. Pearson was best man for his son, and the ushers included Lt. Ralph Higgins and Lt. John Kapp.

A reception followed at the home of the bride's parents. The bride is a graduate of the University of Maryland, and Lieut. Pearson received his education at the Salinas Junior College in California and the University of Hawaii.

Capt. Robert L. Irvine, USN, Ret., and Mrs. Irvine of San Francisco, Calif., announce the engagement of their daughter, Janet Fyfe, to Cpl. Barry Wells Ulrich, USA. Miss Irvine is a sister of Lt. Col. George W. Irvine, USA, and Lt. Robert K. Irvine, USN.

The wedding of Miss Dorothea Rosalind Stonington, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar H. L. Stonington of Thane Tor, Sunswyck Road, Darien, Conn., and Lt. Alvin Lathrop, USNR, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Lathrop of Forest Hills, L. I., took place Saturday, 18 March in St. John's Episcopal Church, Stamford.

In a gown of pearl-colored satin embellished with seed pearls, and veil of tulle held by a coronet of orange blossoms, the bride was given away by her father. Her sister, Natalie was her maid of honor, and Mrs. Stanley C. Cox, Jr., and Mrs. Edmund Kurz, sister of the bride-groom were other attendants. Little Miss Nancy Virginia Cox was flower girl and Mr. Anson Rosebo was best man.

Miss Betty Brown, daughter of Col. and Mrs. Homer C. Brown of San Antonio, Tex., was married to First Lt. Calvin M. Jenkins, Air Corps, Army of the United States, of Kansas City, Mo.

Son of Mrs. M. C. Jenkins and the late Dr. M. C. Jenkins on Friday, 17 March, in the Post Chapel at Ft. Sam Houston, Texas.

Chaplain J. Stuart Pearce officiated. Sgt. Fred McGown played the nuptial music.

### Discusses Prisoner Situation

The difficulties surrounding attempts to relieve the condition of American prisoners of the Japanese were outlined by the American Red Cross, which stated in its March prisoner of war bulletin that substantial relief supplies delivered at Vladivostok are still in warehouses because of an unwillingness of the Japanese to arrange for their transfer to their territories.

The Red Cross pointed out that, with the support of the United States government, it had offered to turn over to the Japanese Red Cross in mid-Pacific a ship to be taken over by a Japanese crew, in order to get food and medicines to our prisoners in Far Eastern camps. The proposal has so far not been accepted by the Japanese.

"Reports which reach the American Red Cross from many sources indicate that the Germans are adhering to the Geneva Convention, but the Japanese have constantly refused to approve the appointment of delegates of the International Committee of the Red Cross to the Philippines, Thailand, Singapore and the Netherlands Indies," the bulletin stated. Delegates are allowed to function in Japan, Shanghai, and Hong Kong.

During the year ending 1 March 1944, the organization reported, \$50,000,000 worth of food, clothing and medicine was sent to Europe. It is planned to send \$65,000,000 worth of such supplies during the present year, it was stated.

### Commands Ft. Hancock WACS

Second Lieut. Virginia M. Mathew has been named commanding officer of the Fort Hancock N. J. WAC Detachment, succeeding Lt. Caroline D. Hennicke, who has been given a new assignment in the Second Service Command.

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## Carrier Escorts to British

The United States has furnished to the British through lend-lease 38 aircraft carrier-escorts (CBEs) since November 1941. In announcing this at a press conference this week Secretary of the Navy Knox stated that all of these vessels are now a part of the anti-submarine fleet of the Allies and that our own fleet has about 50 of the same type vessels.

Names of the 38 carrier-escorts are as follows:

Present Name	Former Name
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Empress	.....	Jamaica
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Speaker	.....	Prince, formerly McClure
Nabob	.....	Rance
Premier	.....	Niantic
Shah	.....	Pendito
Patroller	.....	Sunset
Rajah	.....	St. Andrews
Rance	.....	St. Joseph
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## Service Vote Act

Governors of 46 of the 48 States have  
informed the President of the position of  
their States on the use of a short-form  
federal ballot.

Twenty-one of the States indicated  
that they either have authorized the fed-  
eral ballot or might do so under certain  
circumstances. Another 21 indicated they  
probably would not use such a ballot. Four  
were noncommittal. Two, Louisiana and  
South Carolina, had not replied as of 23  
March.

The President had telegraphed the 48  
governors asking if the federal ballot is  
legal, and, if not, whether steps would be  
taken to legalize its use. He did not ask  
if the States were simplifying their own  
voting laws in accordance with the rec-  
ommendations of the service vote bill to  
facilitate use of federal ballots.

The vote bill reached the White House  
on 20 March. The President has until 31  
March to sign it or return it; after that  
date it automatically becomes law. The  
nature of the replies received from the  
States, Mr. Roosevelt has indicated, will  
determine whether he signs the bill or  
not.

The general tenor of the telegrams of  
reply was that the States had tried to  
simplify their own balloting systems and  
were proud of their current service voting  
laws. Many governors, indicating prefer-  
ence for state ballots, and often hos-  
tility to the proposed federal ballot,  
commended that part of the bill requiring  
the government to speed transmission of  
ballots.

A summarization of the replies received  
to date follows:

Alabama—State absentee balloting ma-  
chinery adequate if speedy transmission of  
ballots is provided. Federal ballot could be  
used for election of members of Congress  
but would be illegal in Presidential election.

Arizona—State machinery is adequate  
and there is no authority in Arizona law for  
Federal ballot. Only Federal provision nec-  
essary is for transportation of State ballots.

Arkansas—Adequate laws and ample  
machinery to permit voting by State ballots  
and a vast majority of the State's ser-  
vicesmen and women can vote if the Army  
and Navy files ballots to them.

California—"If for any reason our law  
authorizing use of supplemental Federal bal-  
lot shall become inoperative I will take the  
steps necessary to certify prior to July 15  
use of supplementary Federal ballots as pro-  
vided in Federal law."

Colorado—"Our legislature made ade-  
quate provision for Colorado overseas sol-  
diers to vote. All we ask is that the Govern-  
ment get our ballots over there and back."  
Connecticut—No provision for use of Fed-  
eral ballot. Adequate absentee voting law  
approved. If President signs vote bill will  
recommend that legislature legalize its use.

Delaware—Information cannot be fur-  
nished until after special legislative session  
called for March 24.

Florida—State election officials believe a  
Federal ballot "can be legally accepted and  
canvassed."

Georgia—"The State has the 'best soldier  
vote law yet enacted' and will not 'avail  
itself of provisions of the Congressional  
measure should it become law.'"

Idaho—"Use of Federal ballot not now au-  
thorized by State law and 'in my judgment'  
steps will not be taken to enable certification  
prior to July 15."

Illinois—State absentee ballot law per-  
mits "unrestricted suffrage" for servicemen  
and women if the Army, Navy and postoffice  
lend their efforts to deliver and return the  
ballots. Federal ballot not authorized and  
its adoption "would not be in the interests  
of those in the armed services from our  
State."

Indiana—Will call special session and  
recommend legalization of Federal ballot.

Iowa—"Use of Federal ballot not author-  
ized by law. If Federal bill becomes law 'no  
necessity will exist to take steps to enable  
certification of Federal ballot' because Iowa  
law already makes full provision for voting  
and is far more liberal than Federal pro-  
posal."

Kansas—"Kansas has long since made  
provision for all military personnel to vote  
an absentee ballot and gives sixty-seven days  
in which to do so."

Kentucky—"The Federal ballot is unau-  
thorized and will not be authorized. State  
has passed a new law providing absentee  
procedure for Presidential and Congressional  
elections but there is doubt of its validity."

Maine—Prepared to call special session  
and recommend that certification of Federal  
ballot be allowed.

Maryland—Law permits use of the sup-  
plementary Federal ballot.

Massachusetts—Ready to offer legis-  
lation to authorize use of Federal ballot and  
call special session to set ahead primary date.  
Note that State Constitution requires that  
a person, to vote, be able to read the Con-  
stitution in the English language and to  
write his name and that "the Legislature  
cannot alter constitutional provisions."

Michigan—Will not recognize the pro-  
posed Federal soldiers' voting bill because  
the State ballot is "superior" to the Federal  
proposal.

Minnesota—New State balloting machinery  
is adequate and "does not authorize the use  
of Federal ballots in the coming primary and  
general elections."

Mississippi—A Federal ballot is not legal  
and it is "extremely doubtful" if steps

could be taken by July 15 to authorize its  
use.

Missouri—Bills before special session do  
not provide use of Federal ballot and it is  
impossible to determine now whether the  
Governor will be able to certify use of Fed-  
eral ballot.

Montana—The Federal ballot does not  
conform to the Constitution or statutes of  
Montana. The State law is adequate. Hope  
President Roosevelt will sign the Federal bill  
so that the States will have the advantage  
of the Government conveying the State ballots  
to the war fronts.

Nebraska—Supplementary Federal ballot is  
not authorized, but the Legislature may  
legalize it if the bill becomes law.

Nevada—Nevada law does not authorize  
the Federal ballot.

New Hampshire—Has called a special  
session to move the primary date forward  
and provide for use of supplementary Federal  
ballots "if available."

New Jersey—Has adequate State voting  
law if Federal Government will provide  
transport for ballots.

New Mexico—Present State laws do not  
permit use of Federal ballot. State absentee  
law was declared unconstitutional. Supreme  
Court now reviewing decision and if opinion  
favorable "way will be opened to permit  
service men to vote for all offices. Will call  
special session of Legislature if Federal bill  
signed."

New York—Satisfactory State voting  
law. "To the limit of our (State) Constitu-  
tion" will take every action to employ any  
and all Federal facilities and ballots.

North Carolina—The State Board of  
Elections would have full authority to au-  
thorize use of a supplementary Federal ballot  
if the pending bill became law.

North Dakota—Federal ballot not author-  
ized.

Ohio—"I am calling a special legislative  
session in order that Ohio laws may be  
further liberalized so that ballots will be  
available for distribution under provisions  
of the bill recently passed by Congress."

Oklahoma—Use of Federal ballot is  
not authorized by State law, but if the bill  
is enacted steps may be taken permitting  
certification of their use prior to July 15.

Oregon—Prefers state ballots.

Pennsylvania—"It is my desire that  
Pennsylvania will take whatever appropriate  
action is necessary before July 15 to afford  
all our men and women in the armed service  
the opportunity to vote."

Rhode Island—Federal ballot not author-  
ized. After study of Federal act probably  
will recommend that it be counted.

South Dakota—Use of the Federal bal-  
lot is not legal under State laws. Arrange-  
ments for voting by absentee State ballot  
will be made.

Tennessee—State constitution makes "it ex-  
tremely doubtful that the supplementary fed-  
eral ballots could be legally counted."

Texas—Federal ballot will be valid.

Utah—Use of Federal ballot not now  
authorized. Utah Constitution permits Legis-  
lature to authorize such ballot. Special leg-  
islative session will be convened March 27 and  
will be asked to authorize Federal ballot.

Vermont—A special session of Legislature  
is acting on bill for use of Federal ballot.

Virginia—State balloting machinery is  
adequate and Federal law unnecessary if  
Army and Navy will transport the State bal-  
lots.

Washington—State ballot law is ade-  
quate but State will recognize ballots cast  
under Federal act, if President signs it. No  
supplementary legislation necessary.

West Virginia—Federal ballot not author-  
ized. If it becomes law the Legislature  
would "refuse by an overwhelming majority  
to utilize anything the measure contains."

Wisconsin—Wisconsin does not favor  
a blank ballot. State ballot will be mailed  
to all Wisconsin men and women in the  
armed services without their request and is  
ample time, "just as a letter from home."

Wyoming—Unable to say what position leg-  
islature will take.

## End VD Pay Forfeitures

The House Military Affairs Committee  
this week reported amended a bill, S.  
1250, that would amend existing law to  
provide that injury or disease incurred  
during military or naval service shall  
be considered to have been received in  
line of duty, and not due to wilful mis-  
conduct, if the person involved has com-  
plied with Army or Navy regulations re-  
quiring him to report and receive treat-  
ment for the disease, when it is venereal.  
The law would not apply in the cases  
of personnel who deserted the service,  
absented themselves without leave ma-  
terially interfering with the performance  
of military duties or were confined under  
sentence of a court martial or civil court.

In line with this modification of ex-  
isting law, part 3 of Veterans Regulation  
numbered 1(a) is amended by the bill  
to provide: "Pension shall not be payable  
for any disability due to the claimant's  
own wilful misconduct or vicious habits."

The legislation will apply to claims  
filed or adjudicated from the date of ap-  
proval of the bill. Claims already dis-  
allowed may not be revived, but new  
claims may be filed for adjudication.

Maintenance is a war job—your war job.  
So make it easier for yourself. Remember  
that Preventive Maintenance is the easiest  
maintenance.



## Births • Marriages • Deaths

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### Born

**ACH**—Born in Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C., 15 March 1944, to Capt. and Mrs. Jacques L. Ach, QMC, a daughter.

**BEGGS**—Born in Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C., 7 March 1944, to Lt. Col. and Mrs. Edwin G. Beggs, GSC, USA, a daughter, Barbara Ann. Col. Beggs is on overseas duty.

**BOURN**—Born in Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C., 19 March 1944, to 1st Lt. and Mrs. Joe F. Bourn, CE, a son.

**CARLSON**—Born at Mercy Hospital, San Diego, Calif., 29 Feb. 1944, to Lt. Comdr. and Mrs. D. E. Carlson (DC) USN, a daughter, Rosanne Louise.

**CHURCH**—Born in US Naval Hospital, Norfolk, Va., 14 March 1944, to Lt. and Mrs. Edward Holland Church (SC) USNR, a daughter, Lynne Holland.

**COCHRANE**—Born at Base Hospital, Langley Field, Va., 15 March 1944, to Lt. Col. and Mrs. Carlos J. Cochrane, AAF, a son, Radcliff Lee.

**DOWNER**—Born in Charles Town, W. Va., 11 Feb. 1944, to Lt. Col. and Mrs. George Spelman Downer, a daughter, Jane Spelman, granddaughter of Mrs. Charles L. Mullins, wife of Gen. Mullins, U. S. A.

**ERVIN**—Born at Norfolk General Hospital, Norfolk, Va., recently, to Lt. (jg) and Mrs. F. Reid Ervin, USNR a son, Reid Hart.

**EWING**—Born at Fort Barrancas, Fla., 14 March 1944, to Capt. and Mrs. Jewel Winn Ewing, a daughter, Capt. Ewing has recently transferred to Fort Jackson, S. C.

**GRANBERRY**—Born in Lying-In-Hospital, New York City, to Capt. and Mrs. John Granberry, AUS, a son, William Preston.

**HAMILTON**—Born in Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C., 19 March 1944, to Lt. Col. and Mrs. Edward O. Hamilton, CE, a daughter.

**HARRINGTON**—Born at Maine General Hospital, Portland, Me., 19 March 1944, to Lt. and Mrs. Daniel J. Harrington, III, USN, (USA, '38), a daughter, Leslie Karen, granddaughter of Capt. and Mrs. Robert E. Hancock, USN, and of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel J. Harrington, Jr., of Springfield, Mass. The great-grandmother is Mrs. Robert N. Hancock, of Irving, Mass.

**HEWITT**—Born in Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C., 21 March 1944, to Capt. and Mrs. Woodrow W. Hewitt, OD, a son.

**HOBSON**—Born in Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C., 19 March 1944, to Col. and Mrs. Kenneth B. Hobson, GSC, a daughter.

**HOWARD**—Born in New Haven Hospital, New Haven, Conn., 19 March 1944, to Lt. and Mrs. J. M. Howard, Jr., USMC, a son, James Meriam, 3rd, grandson of President and Mrs. Charles Seymour of Yale University. Lt. Howard is overseas.

**IRELAND**—Born at U. S. Marine Corps Air Station, Cherry Pt., N. C., 12 March 1944, to Lt. Col. and Mrs. Maurice Thompson Ireland, USMC, a son, Robert Beasley, grandson of Mrs. Robert Charlton Beasley, of Hampton, Va., and the late Colonel Beasley, of Col. and Mrs. Mark L. Ireland, USA-Ret., of Chesaning, Mich.

**KERLIN**—Born in Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C., 17 March 1944, to Maj. and Mrs. Gilbert Kerlin, AAF, a son.

**KLECAK**—Born at Englewood Hospital, Englewood, N. J., to Lt. and Mrs. G. L. F. Klecak, AAF, a daughter. Lieutenant Klecak is at present on duty in the Central Pacific.

**LARDNER**—Born in Gotham Hospital, New York, N. Y., 15 March 1944, to Lt. and Mrs. Reginald Lardner, Jr., AUS, a son Reginald Michael.

**LEE**—Born in Rolla, Mo., 6 March 1944, to Capt. and Mrs. William R. Lee, Inf., a daughter, Kathryn Rutledge, granddaughter of Maj. and Mrs. Raymond A. Lee, Inf., Ohio University, Athens, N. Y.

**MAROTTA**—Born in Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C., 15 March 1944, to T.Sgt. and Mrs. Angelo Marotta, a daughter.

**MERRITT**—Born in Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C., 17 March 1944, to M.Sgt. and Mrs. George M. Merritt, a daughter.

**MORGAN**—Born at Yonkers Professional Hospital, Yonkers, N. Y., 12 March 1944, to Ens. and Mrs. Carlton G. Morgan, USNR, a daughter, Michele.

**MUNSON**—Born at South Side Hospital, Bayshore, N. Y., 15 March 1944, to Capt. and Mrs. James Lewis Munson, QMC, a daughter, Desire Howland.

**O'BRIEN**—Born at Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C., 20 March 1944, to S.Sgt. and Mrs. George C. O'Brien, SC, a daughter.

**PERRETT**—Born in Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C., 19 March 1944, to Capt. and Mrs. William M. Perrett, MAC, a daughter.

**PETERSON**—Born in Hartford, Conn., 16 March 1944, to Lt. and Mrs. George C. Peterson, AUS, a son.

**PETERSON**—Born in Seton Infirmary, Austin, Texas, 25 Feb. 1944 to Capt. and Mrs. E. P. Peterson, CAC, USA, a daughter, Carolyn Clifton. Captain Peterson is now serving overseas in the Northern European Theater of Operations.

**PITKIN**—Born in the Station Hospital, Orlando, Fla., 12 March 1944, to Capt. and Mrs. George D. Pitkin, AAF, a daughter, Robe.

**REED**—Born at University Hospital, Baltimore, Md., 15 Feb. 1944, to Lt. and Mrs. LeRoy I. Reed, USA, a son, Elbert Orval. Lieutenant Reed is overseas.

**ROBERTSON**—Born at St. Vincent's Hospital, Norfolk, Va., 12 March 1944, to Lt. and Mrs. Davis Aydelotte Robertson, Jr., USA, a son, Davis Aydelotte Robertson, 3rd.

**ROSS**—Born at Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C., 20 March 1944, to Capt. and Mrs. Marvin A. Ross, a daughter.

**RUSSELL**—Born at Bronxville Hospital, New York, to Lt. (jg) and Mrs. James E. Russell, USNR, a daughter. Lt. Russell is serving overseas.

**SMITH**—Born in Naval Hospital, NOB, Norfolk, Va., 1 March 1944, to Lt. and Mrs. Edward Nathaniel Smith, a son, Gorham Bogart.

**STERNBERG**—Born in Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C., 19 March 1944, to S.Sgt. and Mrs. Frank J. Sternberg, AAF, a son.

**STORLIE**—Born in Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C., 15 March 1944, to Capt. and Mrs. Clifford A. Storlie, AGD, a daughter.

**SULLIVAN**—Born in the Naval Hospital, Brooklyn, N. Y., 17 March 1944, to Lt. and Mrs. Eugene Sullivan, Jr., USMCR, a daughter, Debra.

**TASKER**—Born at Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C., 20 March 1944, to Col. and Mrs. Harold Tasker, GSC, a son.

**WHITMORE**—Born at Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C., 20 March 1944, to Maj. and Mrs. Edward C. Whitmore, GSC, a daughter.

**WINGREN**—Born in Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C., 15 March 1944, to Capt. and Mrs. Harry M. Wingren, SC, a daughter.

**YARNELL**—Born at US Naval Hospital, Brooklyn, N. Y., 21 March 1944, to Lt. and Mrs. Philip Yarnell, (SC) USN, a son, grandson of Admiral and Mrs. Harry E. Yarnell, USN-Ret.

### Married

**ABRAHAM-RACCOOSIN**—Married in Washington, D. C., 27 Feb. 1944, Miss Carol Sue Raccoosin to Lt. Jack Abraham, DC, USA.

**ADDAMS-ARENS**—Married in Plainfield, N. J., 18 March 1944, Mrs. Julia Slauson Arens to Capt. Robert Matile Addams, AAF.

**ARONIN-PEARLMAN**—Married 16 March 1944, Miss Rose Pearlman to Lt. Elliott L. Aronin.

**BANKS-BRUSH**—Married in New Rochelle, N. Y., 14 Feb. 1944, Miss Carolyn Jacobus Brush to Ens. Robert Ladda Banks, USNR.

**BAUGHER-HIRSHON**—Married in Zion Episcopal Church, Douglaston, Md., 15 March 1944, Miss Phoebe Bateman Hirschon to Ens. William Harry Baugher, USNR.

**BENSON-PORTERFIELD**—Married in Epiphany Episcopal Church, Seattle Wash., 14 March 1944, Miss Margaret Handy Porterfield to Ens. Herbert Earl Benson, USNR.

**BLAU-RICH**—Married on 18 March 1944, Miss Selma Judith Rich to Lt. Melvin Blau, USA.

**BROADHURST-SEUBERT**—Married 11 March 1944, Miss Viola Seubert to Col. Edwin B. Broadhurst, USA.

**BUCKNER-NOBLE**—Married in Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Norfolk, Va., 16 Feb. 1944, Miss Myrdia M. Noble to Ens. Norman William Buckner, USNR.

**BUELL-OSBORNE**—Married in San Francisco, Calif., 15 March 1944, Miss M. Jacqueline Osborne, daughter of Capt. and Mrs. Andrew G. Osborne, USA-Ret., to Lt. Thomas Chapin Buell, USN.

**CALLMER-YOUNG**—Married in St. John's Church, Bradley Lane, Washington, D. C., 21 March 1944, Miss Sally-Lee Maxwell Young to Lt. (jg) James P. Callmer, USNR.

**CARLETON-STOTT**—Married in the Portsmouth Navy Yard Chapel, Portsmouth, N. H., 18 March 1944, Miss Geraldine Alberta Stott, daughter of Capt. A. A. Stott (MC) USNR, to Lt. E. Bradley Carlton, (DC) USN.

**CRICHTON-WATROUS**—Married in Trinity Church, Algiers, Morocco, 8 March 1944, Miss Margaret VanDerlip Watrous, American Red Cross, daughter of Col. and Mrs. Livingston Watrous, GSC, USA, to Maj. John Robertson Dunn Crichton, Royal Artillery, British Army.

**CULBERTSON-JACKSON**—Married at her home in Brooklyn, N. Y., 19 March 1944, Lt. (jg) Elizabeth Ann Jackson, USNR, to Lt. Jon Culbertson, Ord. Dept., just returned from overseas duty.

**DALE-FUESS**—Married in St. Philip's Church in the Highlands, Garrison, N. Y., 19 March 1944, Miss Hope Nancy Fuess to Lt. Gerald FitzGerald Dale, AAF.

**DELLOSTATION-WILLIAMS**—Married in St. Albans Church, Washington, D. C., 18 March 1944, Miss Lenora Jane Williams to Ens. Franklin A. Dellostation, USNR.

**DIBBLE-KIRKBRIDE**—Married in Christ Episcopal Church, Short Hills, N. J., 22 March 1944, Miss Faith Kirkbride to Lt. Robert Ellis Dibble, USNR.

**DOOLEY-HAMPTON**—Married in St. Gabriel's Church, Washington, D. C., 18 March 1944, Miss June Lucille Hampton to Ens. Raymond J. Dooley, USNR.

**EWING-OPITZ**—Married in Orlando, Fla., 23 Feb. 1944, Miss Hedwig I. Opitz to Lt. Alvin L. Ewing, USA, Lieutenant and Mrs. Ewing are living in Salt Lake City, Utah.

**FITZPATRICK-HILL**—Married at Mulberry Plantation, Camden, S. C., 19 March 1944, Miss Joan Reynolds Hill to Capt. William Samuel Fitzpatrick, AAF.

**FLEMING-MURRAY**—Married in St. Anthony's Roman Catholic Church, Paterson, N. J., 16 March 1944, Miss Florence Murray to Ens. Edwin Fleming, USNR.

**FOX-JUERGENS**—Married in Upper Montclair, N. J., 21 March 1944, Miss Barbara Juergens to Lt. (jg) Donald R. Fox, Jr., USNR.

**GARDNER-SETTERLE**—Married in the Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church, New York City, 20 March 1944, Miss Dorothy Setterle to S.Sgt. John Black Gardner, Jr., on duty at Atlantic City, N. J.

**GOODBODY-MCKENNA**—Married in El Paso, Tex., 18 March 1944, Miss Bambi McKenna to Lt. Garrett Goodbody, AUS.

**GRAHAM-LIGHT**—Married in the Church of the Assumption, Westport, Conn., 18 March 1944, Miss Beatrice Ann Light to Lt. Robert A. Graham, Jr., of Scott Field, Ill.

**HAGGARD-WOLARD**—Married in All Saints Chapel, USNAS, Jacksonville, Fla., 21 March 1944, Ens. Blanche Wolard, USNR, to Lt. (jg) William H. Haggard, 2d, USNR, son of Prof. Joward Wilcox Haggard, of Yale University.

**HARLEY-ARMSTRONG**—Married in Westfield, N. J., 18 March 1944, Miss Elsie Armstrong to Lt. (jg) Robert J. Harley, USNR.

**HENRY-VAN SINDEREN**—Married in Brooklyn, N. Y., 19 March 1944, Miss Jean Van Sinderen to Lt. Donald Wallace Henry, USNR.

**HORNER-KAMPFMAN**—Married in the chapel of St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church, New York, N. Y., Miss Marion Weaver Kampfman to Ens. Robert Ballard Horner, USNR.

**HURLBUTT-FRAZER**—Married in the Little Church Around the Corner, New York City, 16 March 1944, Miss Miriam Catherine Frazer, daughter of Maj. and Mrs. William Marc Frazer, AAF, to Lt. (jg) Frank Roy Hurlbutt (MC) USNR.

**JENKINS-BROWN**—Married in post chapel, Fort Sam Houston, Texas, Miss Betty Brown, daughter of Col. and Mrs. Homer C. Brown, to 1st Lt. Calvin M. Jenkins, AAF.

**JIMMERSON-CRAPE**—Married in the Church of the Good Shepherd, Brooklyn, N. Y., 22 March 1944, Miss Julia H. Crape to Lt. Cedric C. Jimerson, MC, USA.

**JOHNSTONE-NORTON**—Married in the First Methodist Church, Newport, Vt., 19 March 1944, Miss Edith Elaine Norton, RN, to 1st Lt. Robert Ellis Johnstone, MC, AUS.

**JONES-MITCHELL**—Married recently in Carmel, Calif., Miss Joan Baker Mitchell, daughter of Col. and Mrs. Clarence A. Mitchell, to Mr. H. Prescott Jones of Oakland, Calif.

**KELAND-JOHNSON**—Married in Jacksonville, Fla., in All Saints Episcopal Church, 18 March 1944, Miss Karen Andrea Johnson to Lt. Willard Hampton Keland, AUS.

**LATHROP-STONINGTON**—Married in St. John's Episcopal Church, Stamford, Conn., 18 March 1944, Miss Dorothea Rosalind Stonington to Lt. Alvin Lathrop, USNR.

**LEE-TYLER**—Married in San Francisco, Calif., 16 March 1944, Mrs. James Stanley Tyler, widow of Lieutenant (jg) Tyler, USN, to Comdr. Fitzhugh Lee, USN, son of the late Col. and Mrs. George Mason Lee, of Chattahoochee, Green Spring Valley, Md.

**LEGGETT-MCCARTHY**—Married in Westfield, N. J., 18 March 1944, Miss Joan McCarthy, to Lt. Lindley H. Leggett, Jr., AAF.

**LENTZ-MILLER**—Married recently in St. John's Protestant Episcopal Church, Warrenton, Md., Miss Edna LaVerne Miller to Lt. Herbert B. Lentz, USNR.

**LUDWIG-RIPPERE**—Married in the Cathedral Church of St. Paul, Boston, Mass., 18 March 1944, Miss Carol Hart Ripperer to Ens. Laudell F. Ludwig, USNR.

**MACMULLEN-LINDSEY**—Married in New York City, 7 March 1944, Miss Jane Hall Lindsey to Capt. James Leslie MacMullen, AUS, son of Col. and Mrs. James D. MacMullen, USA.

**MCKEEMAN-HENNINGSSEN**—Married in Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, at Valley Stream, Long Island, N. Y., 18 March 1944, Miss Evelyn Ann Henningsen to Capt. Keith McKeeam, AAF.

**MERICLE-SHULL**—Married in the Johnson Chapel of Chevy Chase Presbyterian Church, Chevy Chase, Md., 11 March 1944, Miss Shirley Anne Shull to Lt. (jg) Harold Mericle, son of Lt. Col. and Mrs. Harold F. Mericle.

**OSBORN-COURTER**—Married in St. John's Church, Salisbury, Conn., 15 March 1944, Miss Elodie Crane Courter to Lt. Robert Chesley Osborn, USNR.

**OSBORNE-ARMITAGE**—Married in the First Presbyterian Church, East Hampton, Long Island, N. Y., Miss Patricia Armitage to Lt. Charles Joseph Osborne, AAF.

**PARCAK-MURRAY**—Married in the post chapel, Ft. Benjamin Harrison, Ind., 11 March 1944, Miss Helen Virginia Murray to Lt. John P. Parcak, Jr., AUS.

**PARK-GREENE**—Married in New York City, 18 March 1944, Miss Helen Margaret Greene, daughter of Lt. Col. Ernest Greene, AUS, to Lt. Halford W. Park, Jr., USNR, grandson of the late Maj. Edwin S. Curtis, USA.

**PARKER-LEFFINGWELL**—Married at Merced Army Air Field, Merced, Calif., 19 March 1944, Miss Sheila Jane Leffingwell, daughter of Capt. and Mrs. William Murray Leffingwell, to Pfc William Nieman Parker, USA.

**PAULSEN-JOHNSON**—Married in Norfolk, Va., 11 March 1944, Miss Sarah Dolita Johnson to Lt. (jg) Arne Sands Paulsen, of Dayton, Ohio.

**PEREGOFF-MEDNICK**—Married in New York, N. Y., 20 Feb. 1944, Miss Miriam Rose Mednick to Lt. Arthur Peregoff of Frederick, Penna.

**PROCTOR-FINNINGER**—Married in Crescent Ave. Presbyterian Church, Plainfield, N. J., 19 March 1944, Miss Ruth Gertrude Finninger to Ens. Charles William Proctor, USNR.

**ROGERS-MOONEY**—Married at Jackson, Miss., 16 March 1944, Margaret Kent Mooney, daughter of Col. and Mrs. William Keat, USA-Ret., to Mr. William Harvey Rogers.

**ROMINE-EGGLESTON**—Married in the Church of the Redeemer, Morristown, N. J., 18 March 1944, Miss Virginia Margaret Eggleston to Lt. Harry Leo Romine, Jr., AAF.

**STRAUSS-MAY**—Married in New York City, 22 March 1944, Lt. (jg) Helen S. May, USNR, to Capt. Frederick Strauss, MC, AUS.

**TRACEY-GREEN**—Married in St. Austin's Chapel, Austin, Texas, 16 March 1944, Miss Martha Ella Green to Lt. William Arthur Tracey, AAF.

**TUCK-O'SHAUGHNESSY**—Married in Syracuse, N. Y., 18 March 1944, Miss Ann O'Shaughnessy to Lt. John B. Tuck, Jr., AAF, son of Col. and Mrs. John B. Tuck, USA.

**TUNNELL-KELLY**—Married at Grove Presbyterian Church, Aberdeen, Md., 11 March 1944, Miss Eolyn Hart Kelly, daughter of Col. and Mrs. Paul C. Kelly, to Lt. Robert W. Tunnell, AUS, son of US Senator and Mrs. James M. Tunnell of Georgetown, Del.

**WALKER-HYSSONG**—Married at the Officers' Club Army War College, Washington, D. C., 18 March 1944, Miss Helen Gloria Hyssong, daughter of Brig. Gen. and Mrs. Clyde Lloyd Hyssong, USA, to Maj. William George Walker, Jr., AAF, son of Brig. Gen. and Mrs. William George Walker, USA.

**WALSH-KARN**—Married in St. Teresa's Roman Catholic Church, Summit, N. J., 18 March 1944, Miss Norma Karn to Ens. John Russell Walsh, USNR.

**WESTAWAY-MENSCHIK**—Married in St. James Episcopal Church, New York City, 16 March 1944, Miss Marilyn Menschik to Lt. Robert Westaway, Jr., AAF.

**WHITE-LEAHY**—Married in Our Lady Chapel of St. Patrick's Cathedral, New York City, 16 March 1944, Miss Eileen Patrick Leahy to Lt. Ross O'Donoghue White, AUS.

**WILLIAMS-FAIRCHILD**—Married in St. John's Episcopal Church, New Haven, Conn., 18 March 1944, Miss Lorraine Fairchild to Lt. Charles Rockwell Williams, AUS.

**WILLIAMSON-SIMMONS**—Married in the Princeton Seminary Chapel, Princeton, N. J., 14 March 1944, Miss Sarah Jane Simmons to Lt. (jg) Robert Thomas Williamson (ChC), USNR.

### Died

**AINSWORTH**—Died 16 Feb. 1944, in Italy, the result of wounds received in attacks on Army Field Hospitals in Italy, 2nd Lt. Ellen Ainsworth, ANC.

**BORROWS**—Died at Niagara Falls, N. Y., 17 March 1944, Mrs. Sarah F. Borrows, wife of William H. Borrows and mother of Mrs. Virginia G. Blatt, wife of Col. Richard C. Blatt, now serving overseas.

**BOWER**—Died in St. Francis Hospital, Evanston, Ill., 16 March 1944, James McKesson Bower, USNA, 1887.

**BOWIE**—Died suddenly in Port Said, Egypt, 18 March 1944, Mrs. Joan Worrall Bowie, wife of Lt. John M. Bowie, USNR.

**BROWN**—Killed in action in Italy, 12 Feb. 1944, Lt. Allan H. Brown, 8d, AUS, survived by his mother, Mrs. Etta C. Brown of New York City, and a sister.

**BULFINCH**—Died in Boston, Mass., 14 March 1944, Dr. George Greenleaf Bulfinch, father of Lt. Charles Bulfinch, Lt. Thomas Bulfinch and Lt. Susan Arthrop Bulfinch, all of the USNR.

**COOK**—Died at Roosevelt Hospital, New York City, 15 March 1944, Mrs. Ellen Barker Cook, wife of Vice Adm. Arthur B. Cook, USN, in charge of the Caribbean naval area.

**DAVEY**—Killed in action in European Area, 31 Jan. 1944, Lt. Otis Webb Davey, USA, husband of Mrs. Theodora Andrews Davey, and son of Mrs. Alberta Webb Eberstadt and the late Lt. Otis Davey, USA.

**DEXTER**—Died in England, recently, Lt. John B. Dexter, AAF. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Helen Dexter, a twin brother, Lt. Thomas Dexter, AAF, and another brother, Lt. Charles H. Dexter, Jr., OMC.

**DOWD**—Died at her home on West 74th St., New York City, 14 March 1944, Mrs. Catherine Hughes Dowd, mother of 1st Lt. James N. Dowd, AC, USA, and aunt of CPO James P. McCaffrey, USN.

**EDMUNDSON**—Killed in airplane crash at Santa Maria, Calif., 13 March 1944, Capt. Dean B. Edmundson, AAF.

**ENGLAND**—Died in Lakeland, Fla., 16 March 1944, the Rev. Dr. Howard England, father of Col. John M. England, CAC, USA, on duty with the Army in Iceland.

**FARRELL**—Killed in action in Italy, 25 Feb. 1944, Capt. Thomas F. Farrell, Jr., USA, son of Brig. Gen. and Mrs. T. F. Farrell, USA.

**GALLOWAY**—Killed in collision of airplanes near El Toro, Calif., 17 March 1944, Lt. James Melville Galloway.

**GAUSE**—Killed recently in a plane crash in England, Maj. Damon Gause, AAF.

**GELM**—Died in New York, N. Y., 19 March 1944, Capt. George E. Gelm, USN-Ret., former Asst. Supt. of the Naval Observatory, Washington, D. C.

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**HOLLIDAY**—Died in San Francisco, Calif., 17 March 1944, Mrs. Isabel C. Holliday, wife of Col. Milton G. Holliday, USA.

**HUGHES**—Died in Philadelphia, Pa., 16 March 1944, Dr. William Ellery Hughes, grandfather of Lt. William H. Arnold, AAF and Mrs. Samuel Biddle, wife of the Naval Attaché at the American Embassy in Mexico City.

**KREIDER**—Killed in action in New Britain, 1 March 1944, 1st Lt. Henry H. Kreider, Jr., AAF.

**LOW**—Died in New Haven, Conn., 15 March 1944, Miss Grace B. Low, daughter of the late Capt. William Whitmore Low, USN, granddaughter of the late Capt. Ellisha Pack, USN; sister of the late Maj. Theodore H. Low, USMC, and the late Capt. William W. Low, USMC, and aunt of Lt. William W. Low, USN.

**MACDONALD**—Killed in returning from raid over Germany, 22 Feb. 1944, T.Sgt. Donald V. MacDonald, AAF.

**OGG**—Drowned at sea recently, Capt. Robert Ogg, USMS, graduate of the Naval Academy class 1917.

**O'LEARY**—Died at West Brighton, Staten Island, N. Y., 16 March 1944, U. S. Representative James O'Leary, father of Lt. (jg) James A. O'Leary, Jr., USCG.

**PIERCE**—Died in US Marine Hospital, Stapleton, Staten Island, N. Y., 20 March 1944, Dr. Claude Connor Pierce, Asst. Surgeon General US Public Health Service, ret.

**PRICE**—Killed in airplane accident, Stockton, Calif., 18 March 1944, Lt. William Booth Price.

**RIPLEY**—Killed in action in the Southwest Pacific, recently, Pfc. Warren A. Ripley, USMC, brother of Lt. (jg) John C. Ripley, USNR.

**RUPP**—Died in Allentown Hospital, Allentown, Pa., 17 March 1944, Capt. Roland L. Rupp, ChC, USA.

**SMITH**—Died in New York City, 17 March 1944, Mrs. Mildred Smith, mother of Lt. Ellsworth J. Marcoe, USN.

**STEPHENSON**—Killed in plane crash near Ventnor, N. J., 15 March 1944, Lt. (jg) John Edwin Stephenson, of Ft. Smith, Ark.

**THAYER**—Died at Mount Airy, Pa., 16 March 1944, Mrs. Mary Homer Dixon Thayer, widow of Brig. Gen. Russell Thayer, USA.

**TRENCHARD**—Killed in plane crash at Marine Corps Air Station, Mojave, Calif., 8 March 1944, Capt. Harold Ross Trenchard, USMC.

**TUTWILER**—Killed in plane crash, while on a foreign mission, 7 March 1944, Capt. Weldon Frank Tutwiler, AAF.

**VOLM**—Killed in plane collision near Cape Charles, Va., 15 March 1944, Lt. (jg) Bernard H. Volm, Jr., USNR.

**WAKEMAN**—Died at Fort Monmouth, N. J., 16 March 1944, Col. Frank B. Wakeman, MC, USA. Survived by his widow and a daughter, Betty Jane.

**WILEY**—Died in New York City, 15 March 1944, Mrs. Florence Cohn Wiley, mother of Lt. Julian Wiley, Jr., CE, USA, and Ena. Louis Wiley, USNR.

**WILSON**—Killed leading a combat wing over Berlin, 6 March 1944, Brig. Gen. Russell A. Wilson, GS, AAF. Survived by his widow, who resides at 1215 Twenty-sixth Road South, Arlington, Va., and two brothers, Lt. Col. Jack A. Wilson, USA and Lt. Comdr. Ronald T. Wilson, USN.

**YANDO**—Died at Naval Hospital, Bethesda, Md., 14 March 1944, Capt. Arthur H. Yando, (DC) USN, Commanding Officer of the Naval Dental School at Bethesda.

### OBITUARIES

Capt. George Earl Gelm, USN-Ret., died 19 March after a long illness in his home, 71 East Seventy-seventh Street, New York City, where he had lived since his retirement in 1928.

Born in Jamestown, N. Y., 73 years ago, Captain Gelm was graduated from the Naval Academy in 1894.

He was attached to the Bennington when that vessel took possession of Wake Island and Guam in the Philippine campaign. He commanded the Celtic in 1913 and 1914 and during the first World War was in command of the battleship Kearsarge. From 1922 to 1924 he commanded the battleship Florida.

As gunnery officer of the Maryland, he received a special letter of commendation from the Secretary of the Navy when the ship won both the great-gun and small-arms trophies in 1908. He also received a similar letter for his work as gunnery officer of the Wisconsin and a citation for exceptional services in the handling of his ship while in command of the Kearsarge. He was also awarded the Navy Cross.

Captain Gelm was twice assigned to the Naval Academy as instructor in seamanship, gunnery, international law and as discipline officer.

He was a member of the Naval War College Class in 1928.

His wife, the former Marjorie Hempstead Cook, of Chicago, Ill., and Burlington, Iowa, died in 1941. Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. George N. Eustathopoulos, and a grandson, Robert Hempstead Eustathopoulos.

Funeral services were held 22 March at Fort Myer Chapel. Full military honors were rendered and Chaplain R. W. Faulk, USN, officiated. Interment in Arlington National Cemetery followed.

Funeral services for Capt. Arthur H. Yando (DC), USN, were held 17 March at Fort Myer Chapel, followed by interment in Arlington National Cemetery.

Pallbearers were as follows: Capt. Albert Knox (DC) USN; Capt. Robert S. Davis (DC) USN; Capt. Spry O. Claytor (DC) USN; Capt. James I. Root (DC) USN; Capt. Alfred R. Harris (DC) USN, and Capt. Rae D. Pitton (DC) USN.

Captain Yando, graduate of Tufts College Dental School, entered the Naval Reserve 23 July, 1917, and was commissioned a lieutenant (jg) in the Dental Corps 1 July 1918. His first duty was in the First Naval District preparatory to assignment to the First Regiment of Marines 17 Dec. 1918. He served on a number of ships and at shore stations during his Navy career, and he was attached to the Naval Dental School in 1937. On 6 Feb. 1942 he was appointed Commanding Officer of the National Naval Dental School at Bethesda, Md. This appointment continued until his death.

Captain Yando was a member of the American Dental Association and the Association for the Advancement of Science and was the author of scientific articles.

### Regular Army Promotions

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viding that not more than 25 per cent (twelve) of the 50 brigadier generals shall be appointed from among men with less than 28 years' service. The committee reported the bill 24 Nov., and the House approved it and sent it back to the Senate 26 Nov.

Meanwhile, the Patton Affair had come to light, and the Truman Committee had criticized General Somervell's prosecution of the Canol Project in the face of recommendations against the project by other government agencies and the oil industry. There was also a fear that General Marshall would be relieved as Chief of Staff and sent overseas, and some members of the Congress did not want to "build up" General Somervell as a possible successor.

Accordingly, the limiting amendment to S. 1410, though in itself acceptable to the War Department and the Senate Committee, was not acted upon until this week. On 21 March the Senate Committee formally agreed to accept the amendment, the Senate concurred, and the bill is now before the President.

Meanwhile, on 16 Dec. 1943, three Senators—Wallgren, of Wash.; Kilgore, of W. Va., and Truman, of Mo.—introduced a resolution which, if accepted by the Senate Military Committee and the Senate, would have directed the Secretary of the Senate to return all permanent nominations to the President for the duration of the war.

The War Department strongly opposed the resolution because of the serious effects it would have on the promotion and retirement rights of Regular officers.

On 21 March, the committee took up the resolution, after having heard Maj. Gen. Miller G. White, Assistant Chief of Staff, G-1, discuss in executive session the Army's permanent and temporary promotion policies and laws. Its sponsors modified the resolution to apply only to promotions above rank of colonel, and the resolution was voted tabled on motion of Senator Downey, Calif., by a 14 to 4 vote, every member of the committee voting in person or by proxy. Only other Senator to join the three sponsors of the resolution was Senator Johnson, Colo.

Having agreed a few days earlier that in no event would promotions of officers below grade of general officer be suspended, the committee authorized the reporting of such nominations, and the Senate subsequently confirmed them.

Following the tabling of the Wallgren - Kilgore - Truman resolution, the Senate Committee voted to abolish the committee of five which it created about two years ago to review all Army nominations. Senators Wallgren and Kilgore were members of this subcommittee, Senator Chandler, Ky., being chairman, and Senators Gurney, S. Dak., and Holman, Ore., Republican members.

Each nomination submitted hereafter will be referred to special subcommittees of three to be named for that particular purpose, the full committee has decided. Each of the 14 pending nominations for general officer probably will be referred to such a subcommittee when S. 1140 becomes law it is probable that they will be reported individually. What action the subcommittee or full committee will take on the Patton and Somervell nomi-

nations is not known.

Meanwhile, War Department legal advisers are debating the necessity of re-submitting the nominations of Generals Kenney, Clark, Handy, Eaker and Smith after S. 1410 becomes law, inasmuch as the quintet was not qualified for promotion, according to the 1940 act, at the time the nominations were submitted. However, consensus of opinion appears to be that resubmission will not be necessary.

### Naval Strength of the Axis

"The Enemies' Fighting Ships," the naval strength of the Axis, by Jay Launer, with an introduction by Capt. Harley P. Cope, USN. Illustrated. Published by Sheridan House, Inc., 257 Fourth Avenue, New York 10, N. Y. Price \$3.75.

NOTHING quite like Mr. Launer's new book has preceded it in the rush of war literature which has come upon the market. This volume treats only of our enemies' fleets and vessels, but it treats of them as thoroughly and completely as possible in view of the strenuous efforts made to keep such information confidential. Mr. Launer has combined information from many sources such as Jane's Fighting Ships, Rimington's Fighting Fleets, etc.

Particularly interesting are a number of charts and tables, such as those comparing the 1941-43 Naval strength, losses and gains, Japanese vs. U. S. Navy; Japan's prewar plane-carrier strength, comparison of Jap-U. S. Cruiser strength as of December 1941, Japan's pre-war battleship strength, principal units of the German Navy, French destroyers seized by Germany, and so on to a total of 18 valuable tables. In the first table Mr. Launer estimates comparative strength on 31 December 1943 as follows: Battleships, U. S. 21, Japs 11; battle cruisers, U. S. none, Japs 4; plane carriers, first line, U. S. 20, Japs 9; auxiliary carriers, U. S. 57, Japs 14; heavy cruisers, U. S. 16, Japs 15; light cruisers, U. S. 34, Japs 13; destroyers, torpedo boats, U. S. 587, Japs 124; and submarines (omitting midgets), U. S. 165, Japs 100; for a total in all categories of U. S. 900, Japs 290.

The German Navy receives a similar complete treatment with emphasis on the formidable U-Boat armada that he says for the most part still lies in hiding.

The volume is well illustrated with charts, silhouettes, diagrams and identification tables, etc.

### Service Men and Young Girls

Senator Ferguson (Rep., of Mich.) this week made public replies he had received from the Secretaries of the War and Navy Departments to charges that the Military Police and Shore Patrol fail to prevent service personnel from contributing to the delinquency of girls of 16 years of age and younger.

Secretary of the Navy Knox, declaring that he was "shocked" by the reports, told the Senator that "every lawful means will be taken to curb any unlawful and undesirable activities of this nature in which Navy personnel might be involved."

The Secretary of War said that military police have been directed to act in the case of any member of the armed forces "committing a breach of the peace, disorderly conduct, or any other offense which reflects discredit upon the services." The Secretary said that if the civil authorities care to furnish the War Department with the names of any soldiers who have contributed to juvenile delinquency "such action as the situation warrants will be initiated."

Senator Ferguson's letter to the Departments, dated 25 February, was as follows:

"Judge Beckham testified that the military police and the shore patrol fail to protect children of sixteen or under from men in the armed services; that they are not interested in the fact that a man in the armed services is aiding delinquency; that a man may pick up a young girl, take her in and buy her intoxicating liquor, but just so long as the serviceman is not intoxicated, they do not interfere."

"I believe this to be a serious accusation and I thought I should write direct to you about this matter. It is very difficult for civilian officers to interfere with servicemen and, therefore, it would appear to me that your particular officers should do everything within their power to protect our children. I think if they fail to do this, stern discipline should be exercised for their failure to do so."

Secretary Knox's Reply  
Immediately on receipt of the Senator's (Continued on Next Page)

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letter, Secretary Knox replied as follows: "I am shocked by the contents of your letter of 26 February, and I shall take immediate steps to have an investigation made concerning the accuracy of the statement made by Judge Beckham. Certainly, if such conditions exist, our Shore Patrol ought to interfere whether the enlisted man is intoxicated or not. I suppose one of the difficulties is to tell whether the girl in the case is under age. You will appreciate the embarrassment which would result if we attempted to interfere in such a situation and it transpired later that the girl involved was over sixteen. However, I do wish to stop this thing if I can and I shall do all I can in that direction."

Later, under date of 7 March, Secretary Knox wrote to Senator Ferguson as follows:

"In connection with your letter of 26 February and my reply of 20 February, I have asked the Judge Advocate General of the Navy for a statement as to the legal phases involved in curbing the practice referred to in your letter."

"The Judge Advocate General advises me that as a matter of law the Navy is generally without authority over civilians in cases of violations of the law not occurring on a naval reservation. The authority of the Navy over its own uniformed personnel, regardless of location is, of course, without question and Navy shore patrols, as well as all commissioned and petty officers are required to take appropriate steps to preserve good order and discipline and to apprehend uniformed personnel committing offenses against civil and military law, regardless of where committed. Offenses committed by naval personnel away from a reservation are likewise subject to the jurisdiction of the civil authorities."

"It is felt that it would be overstepping the bounds between military and civil jurisdiction if naval personnel sought directly to prevent a violation of law involving the sale of intoxicants to minor civilians by persons who are not subject to the jurisdiction of the Navy. In cases where it appears that local laws and ordinances involving the sale of intoxicants to minors are being circumvented by the action of uniformed personnel; or that a member of the naval service is in any way contributing to the delinquency of a minor; or is otherwise unlawfully committing an offense against the minor, then of course the necessary disciplinary action can and will be taken against the offender. Likewise where the establishment is being conducted in a manner prejudicial to the best interests of Navy uniformed personnel, it may be declared 'out of bounds' for such personnel. Such action is frequently taken by the Navy."

"As stated in my previous letter I am shocked by the report of Judge Beckham and I assure you that when the facts so justify, every lawful means will be taken to curb any unlawful and undesirable activities of this nature in which Navy personnel might be involved."

"Any suggestions which you desire to offer in regard to further methods of approaching a solution to this problem will be appreciated."

### War Department's Views

Upon receipt of Senator Ferguson's letter, Maj. Gen. J. A. Ulio, The Adjutant General, replied that the matter was "receiving consideration." Later, under date of 9 March, the Secretary of War wrote as follows:

"This is in further reply to your letter of 26 Feb. 1944, relative to testimony of Judge W. H. Beckham, Miami, Florida, concerning the failure of the military police to protect children of sixteen or under who are alleged to be aided in delinquency by men in the armed forces who purchase intoxicating liquor for them."

"The Army military police have been authorized and directed to take corrective measures, including arrest if necessary, in the case of any member of the armed forces committing a breach of the peace, disorderly conduct, or any other offense which reflects discredit upon the services. Members of the military forces not on military reservations, however, are subject to the same laws, both Federal and State, that govern the conduct of other citizens."

"The Army has thrown its weight and influence squarely behind corrective measures necessary to meet the problem of liquor, as well as the problem of providing wholesome recreation for men in the armed forces. Co-operating with the War Department in this effort are such agencies as the Federal Security Agency, the American Red Cross, the United Service Organizations, as well as numerous other Government and civilian organizations."

"As part of this effort, the Army has developed a broad recreational program to afford healthful diversion to military personnel, and also has instituted a carefully planned religious program for the soldiers, so that their character and habits are under constant scrutiny to develop them into capable, responsible, self-reliant individuals. The results have been to reduce markedly their exposure to commercialized vice and to guide their habits and desires into constructive patterns."

"In the event the civil authorities care to furnish the War Department the names of any soldiers who have contributed to juvenile delinquency, such action as the situation warrants will be initiated without delay."

"You may be assured that the War Department is making every practicable effort to direct the actions of military personnel in the proper direction and that your interest in the matter is appreciated."

### Marine Corps Appointments

The President on 1 March approved the temporary appointment, with rank from 1 March, of the following warrant

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### Nurse Rank Bill

Permanent actual commissioned rank for members of the Army Nurse Corps is not favored by the Army at this time, the Secretary of War told the House Military Affairs Committee this week.

Upon receipt of the Secretary's statement, Representative Frances P. Bolton, of Ohio, immediately introduced a substitute for her permanent rank bill which would confer actual rank for the duration of the war only.

The Army Nurse Corps had declined to come in under a bill recently signed by the President which gave Navy nurses actual rank for the duration of the war, and instead had sought the permanent rank embodied in the bill, H. R. 3761, introduced 1 Dec. 1943 by Mrs. Bolton. It was contended that the corps had been a part of the Army for 40 years, and deserved permanent actual commissioned rank, since WACS, WAVES, SPARS and Women Marines had such rank, and undoubtedly a move would be made after the war to make those organizations permanent.

Army nurses now have only relative rank.

In expressing his opposition to H. R. 3761, the Secretary of War said:

"The War Department would favor legislation to give members of the Army Nurse Corps, female dietitians and female physical therapy aide personnel, for the duration of the present war, entitlement to all of the allowances, rights and privileges to which commissioned officers, including officers of the Women's Army Corps, may be entitled; but it does not consider that the present would be an appropriate time to enact permanent legislation affecting the peacetime organization of the Army."

"The War Department fully appreciates the difficulties and inequities from which the mentioned personnel suffer under existing law, and which H. R. 3761 is intended to correct. It would interpose no objection to the enactment of temporary legislation, providing temporary commissioned status with accompanying rights, privileges and benefits to members of the Army Nurse Corps, female dietitians, and female physical-therapy aides."

Mrs. Bolton's new bill, H. R. 4445, provides for appointment of nurses, dietitians and physiotherapists in the Army of the United States with actual rank corresponding to the relative rank now held.

All nurses retired for physical disability since 7 Dec. 1941, or hereafter so retired, would receive, effective with approval of the bill, retired pay equal to 75 per cent of highest active duty pay received.

No uniform allowance would be payable to the women.

The bill would authorize transfer of the professional women to commissioned status in the AUS by a blanket order which each woman would be presumed to have accepted unless she should specifically decline such appointment.

### Army Promotions

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## Army Air Forces Changes

More than 36,000 former Ground and Service Forces personnel who had volunteered for training as pilots, navigators and bombardiers but who have not yet commenced flying training will be returned by the Army Air Forces to their original duties.

The announcement stated that due to a lower percentage of casualties in the air and a general shortage of trained personnel throughout the Army, due to cumulative shortages since last July which have developed in the Selective Service, this action is taken to utilize every available soldier to meet the current demands for pending operations.

In announcing the action the War Department quoted a letter from General Henry H. Arnold, as follows:

"I take this action with the full knowledge of the disappointment it may bring to some of the men concerned and to them goes my heartfelt appreciation for their proffered services. Beyond this feeling is one of strong pride in the combat crews now trained, who, by their aggressive superiority in the air have permitted me to reduce somewhat my training requirements in terms of men needed."

"I am further gratified that the AAF is able in this critical manpower period to release excellent men, to serve in those branches of the Army for which they have already received training. It is my belief that their presence in combat will shortly be felt by the enemy."

General George C. Marshall, Chief of Staff, stated that the Army Air Forces were approaching complete air supremacy in practically every theater in which they are in operation at a much faster pace than the Army had dared hope.

The AAF's need for picked young men will continue, the Department said. There is no intent to stop training nor the future acceptance of applications from the 17-year age group. Enlistments of seventeen-year-olds in the Air Corps Enlisted Reserve, however, have temporarily suspended.

A revised program effective 14 March throughout the AAF Training Command's network of flying schools added nine weeks to the individual training period for fighter pilots and five weeks to the schedule of bomber pilots.

Each of the periods required to complete the curricula for pre-flight training and for primary, basic, and advanced pilot training has been extended from nine to ten weeks. In addition, a new five week transition course, officially designated "Fighter Transition, Single Engine and Fixed Gunnery," has been established for fighter pilots. The nine weeks of transition training heretofore given bomber pilots in the 2 or 4 engine specialized schools has been extended to ten weeks.

Another AAF change is in the transfer of training facilities from Miami Beach, Fla., to the San Antonio Cadet Center and Sheppard Field in Texas. An estimated 20,000 officers and men are involved in the present training activities at Miami Beach.

The War Department pointed out that this move was due to the increasing number of trained personnel being moved overseas. Miami Beach will continue to be the site of operations for the Air Transport Command, AAF Redistribution Station No. 2, and the Rehabilitation and Convalescent Training conducted by the Air Surgeon.

## Roi-Namur Airfield

The airfield at Roi-Namur Islands, Kwajalein Atoll, Marshall Group, has been named Dyess Field in memory of Lt. Col. Aquilla James Dyess, USMCR.

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Only war production programs of the utmost urgency, eight in all, are to receive consideration under the joint military-War Production Board plan to limit draft deferments of men under 28 in industry. The plan was adopted in accordance with a presidential order to the Selective Service System under which young combat power is to be drafted into the ranks even though industry will suffer.

The question of whether or not the Little Steel Formula shall maintain as the guide for stabilizing wages will be probed by the Senate Banking Committee in connection with its investigation of the Administration's stabilization program. The controversy over the formula has reached a new stage as a result of the rejection by the National Labor Relations Board of an AFL petition to request the President to modify the formula "realistically", and of the refusal of the President to grant a hearing to the Board on the entire subject. The reason advanced for the attitude of the Board and the President is that wage stabilization is for congressional and not executive determination. The petition of the AFL was based upon consideration which a panel of the Board was giving to the demand for a 17 cents an hour increase by the CIO United Steel Workers of America, which were resisted by the United States Steel Corporation. The Board was urged to instruct the panel not to hear arguments on the demands, but it settled the controversy between the two rival labor organizations by decreeing that a panel should hear demands also by the AFL. However, the Board stated that its action does not commit it to recommending a break in the Little Steel Formula. The hearings begun by the Senate Banking Committee will be extensive, and in this political year it is to be doubted that the committee will advocate any change in the existing law. In other words, this hot issue will remain in the Administration's lap.

From Internal Revenue Districts throughout the country have come reports showing that income tax returns are running well ahead of last year's record breaking totals. Analysis of these returns will be helpful to Congress in its purpose to simplify the individual income tax. One result of the refusal of Congress to enact the Administration proposal to raise an additional \$10.5 billions was the resignation of Randolph Paul, the Treasury expert who advocated the proposal and was held responsible for the caustic criticism of the measure producing only a quarter of that amount which Congress enacted over the President's veto. It is expected that better relations will be developed by the Treasury with the Taxing Committees as a result of Mr. Paul's departure and appointment of a more agreeable successor.

## Standards for Foreign Service

New instructions governing the physical qualification of Army officers and warrant officers for overseas service have been issued by the War Department.

Limited service officers and warrants are to be considered qualified for foreign service if their defects are not liable to aggravation or complication. Such allowable defects would include defective vision or hearing, static orthopedic defects and the like.

General service personnel are considered qualified for overseas service unless disqualifying defects have become apparent since the examination which resulted in their general service classification. General service officers and warrants found unfit for foreign duty will be ordered to the nearest general hospital or similar station for examination and appearance before a disposition board. The same procedure will be followed for the limited service personnel found disqualified for overseas service because of defects other than those which resulted in their original classification as limited service, or because of marked aggravation of such defects.

## Merchant Marine

Liberty Ships are costing about 25 per cent less per deadweight ton than the Hog Islanders of World War I, Chairman Emory S. Land of the Maritime Commission told the House Merchant Marine and Fisheries Committee 22 March.

Admiral Land, justifying the fees paid to private shipbuilders for vessels, stated that Liberty Ships are costing about \$157 a deadweight ton, as compared with about \$210 for the Hog Islanders, "despite the very substantial increase in wage rates that now prevail over that earlier period."

The commission chairman pointed out that original contracts called for a normal fee of \$110,000 per vessel, compared with the \$160,000 the British were paying for vessels on order in the United States at that time. Incentive payments for fast production could run the \$100,000 fee up to \$140,000, or as low as \$60,000.

"Today, after progressively reducing fees as the program and production increased," Admiral Land continued, "we are paying a maximum of \$60,000 per ship and a minimum of \$20,000."

If the charges, taxes and the like, against a \$60,000 fee are analyzed, he continued, "I think you will find that the builder on the average will come out with perhaps \$6,000 to \$7,000 net."

## Salutes Cadet Corps

"A thankful country is behind you," Admiral Land declared 16 March in a message to the U. S. Merchant Marine Cadet Corps on the sixth anniversary of its founding. His message emphasized the contribution these young Americans are making in the war effort. One hundred and twenty-seven cadet-midshipmen have lost their lives in enemy action during their training at sea.

Recapitulating the record in six years by these youths in training to become officers of the American Merchant Marine, Admiral Land cited an "outstanding record." In 1938 there were 90 Cadets pursuing a three-year course. Today there are 6,500 with about 90 being graduated each week. Three thousand have received diplomas since 1938 and are on active duty in the Merchant Marine and Navy.

## Sell Shipyard

The Maritime Commission has accepted an offer of \$200,000 for the purchase of the San Jacinto shipyard at Houston, Tex. The buyer was E. I. Du Pont de Nemours Company and the price was substantially in excess of the value placed upon the property by an independent appraiser retained by the government.

The San Jacinto yard was built for the purpose of constructing concrete barges under a contract terminated on 31 Dec. 1943. The new owners will adapt the plant for the preparation of phenothiazine.

## Confirm Army Promotions

The Senate on 21 March confirmed the nominations for promotion in the Regular Army of a long list of officers, the first group of confirmations of promotions in the Regular Army to be approved in several months as a result of the "Patton Affair."

Those confirmed were:

Hume Peabody, AC	C. H. Glascock, DC
Martin J. O'Brien	W. F. Wiecek, DC
J. C. Haw, CAC	C. F. P. MacKenzie
E. L. Naiden, AC	B. C. Wallington,
H. McE. Pendleton,	CWS
Cav.	C. E. Hocker, CAC
I. B. Summers, AGD	J. W. Leonard, Inf.
E. DeT. Ellis, QMC	R. T. Gibson, CAC
M. R. Reiber, MC	J. McD. Thompson,
F. R. Ostrander, MC	OD
W. H. Kernan, PC	J. A. Van Fleet, Inf.
R. W. Strong, Cav.	E. G. Sherburne, Inf.
C. R. Jones, CAC	W. W. Hess, Jr., FA
C. B. Wogan, FA	M. F. Davis, AC
C. H. Tenney, CAC	J. F. Davis, Cav.
F. E. Emery, Jr., CAC	C. R. Mitchell, MC
F. Gallagher, MC	M. G. Healy, MC
J. M. Welch, MC	M. F. DuFrenne, MC
H. A. Bishop, MC	P. L. Cook, MC
L. R. Moore, MC	C. F. Snell, MC
T. F. Davis, DC	W. C. Caldwell, DC
J. N. White, DC	Ch. P. F. Coholan
W. F. Scheumann, DC	

H. A. Gibson, MC	To Be Lt. Cols.
R. J. Kallus, MC	O. B. Schreuder, MC
	J. M. Epperly, DC

E. C. Robbins, AC	To Be Majors
A. J. K. Malone, AC	D. D. Fisher, AC
Russell Keiller, AC	H. W. Dorr, AC
E. H. Lawson, AC	C. I. Ferris, AC
J. E. Bodle, AC	E. R. Quesada, AC
Russell Scott, AC	W. E. Wolfenbarger,
B. M. Hovey, Jr., AC	AC
	R. F. Rea, MC

M. A. Surrall, Jr., MC	To Be Captain
D. W. Lyddon, MC	Ch. H. F. Donovan
O. S. Olsen, MC	A. T. Haerem, MC
Ch. M. W. Foreman	S. D. Burton, MC
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	Ch. G. G. Sherwood

## The Infantry's Job

The importance and difficulty of the task of the Infantry is recognized and emphasized in three announcements this week by the War Department Bureau of Public Relations.

Col. Norman P. Morrow, FA, USA, Army Ground Forces observer who just returned from six months on the Italian front, was quoted 21 March as stating that "It's the Infantryman who is battling the Germans for vantage points. They're the front-line boys who have the actual physical contact with the enemy. Because he is the man who meets the enemy face to face, the Infantryman has to be the best physical specimen in our Army." Colonel Morrow also paid high tribute to the artillerymen, combat engineers, and the service elements.

On 22 March the Department quoted two other Army Ground Forces' observers, Lt. Col. Harry C. Kirby, GSC, and Lt. Col. Alfred K. du Moulin, Inf., as saying that the fighting at Cassino is the latest and most conclusive proof that it still takes the Infantryman to go in, dig the enemy out and then hold the captured area.

Colonel du Moulin said that "the concentrated bombing and shelling of a stronghold is fine, but the Germans frequently pull their troops out of the area just before the bombs and shells fall, and after the air attack and bombardment are over the Nazis return to a rubble area that is ideally suited for defense. When that happens, our Infantrymen still have a tough job of going in and wiping out the opposition man to man."

The third release, 24 March, reported that United States ground troops who recently have been beating back determined Japanese attacks on our main positions on Bougainville and inflicting heavy losses to the enemy include members of the American Infantry Division. Following completion of its campaign on Guadalcanal, the Americal was sent to the Fiji Islands for rest and further training. Under the command of Maj. Gen. John R. Hodge, USA, the training period added a fine edge to an already keen battle division.

## Quote Gen. MacArthur on Pay

A spokesman for General Douglas MacArthur said this week that "there is not the slightest chance that the pay of American servicemen will be lowered or withheld." The statement was evoked by the suggestion made by some Australians that portions of American pay be withheld from those serving in Australia because of the disparity between their pay and that of the Australian service men. In a statement to "Yank Down Under," the General's spokesman also said that "General MacArthur would be utterly opposed to such a move. He is known to be an advocate of an increase in pay for Australian servicemen to bring it up to a basis of equality with their comrades in arms from the United States."

In Italy, the War Department published "Stars and Stripes" criticized the spending by Americans stating that the U. S. soldier "with his high rate of pay, too often scatters his lire to the four winds" upsetting Italian economy and tempting excessive charges.

## Combat Areas Get Movies First

Army Service Forces has arranged to distribute films in rotation to the combat areas of the Pacific, after which they are routed to supporting units farther to the rear, it was announced this week. In this way, troops in actual combat are the first to be shown the latest of Hollywood's screen offerings, prints of which are donated to the Army by the film industry. Also given high priority for early showings are the wounded in hospitals.



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## Postpone Admirals' Bill

Invited yesterday to appear before the Rules Committee in justification of his request for a special order of business for the bill to authorize two "Admirals of the Navy", Representative Vinson, chairman of the House Naval Affairs Committee, told the committee that he is perfectly willing to have the measure go over until Congress returns from its proposed Easter recess.

Mr. Vinson called attention to a discussion on the House Floor on Thursday between Congressional leaders in which Representative Michener (Rep. of Mich.) a member of the Rules Committee stated that he thought the Admirals' bill should not come up until after the Easter recess.

Majority Leader McCormack, outlining the House's program for the coming week, said the House would take up a federal employees bill on Monday and the Navy public works bill and a naturalization bill on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

"Then," he continued, "if the Rules Committee reports out a resolution creating a post-war military committee that bill will be taken up also. I have no knowledge now of any other bill for next week."

"I believe the committee on Naval Affairs is anxious for a rule on a bill to take care of some adjustments of promotions," said Rules Committee Sabbath, referring to the Admirals of the Navy bill.

"I cannot put that on the program for next week," said Mr. McCormack.

"I think it is a most controversial matter," enjoined Mr. Michener, "I feel that it should not come up until after recess."

"What I have announced now will be the program for the coming week," Mr. McCormack stated, "any other bills that are disposed of will have to be handled by unanimous consent."

It is not believed that the Admirals bill can be passed by unanimous consent. The House's Easter recess is scheduled to begin 30 or 31 March and run until 11 April.

## Charges Political Propaganda

Representative Busbey (Rep. of Ill.) charged this week in the House of Representatives the government operated newspaper "Stars and Stripes" with disseminating "Administration propaganda" to soldiers. Mr. Busbey cited the 4 March issue of the Mediterranean edition of the "Stars and Stripes" dealing with the soldiers vote bill.

"This is a good example," he said, "of how the Administration will go to almost any length in an effort to propagandize our soldiers in behalf of anything the New Dealers want. It is conclusive proof of what is being done by the Administration to give servicemen a wrong impression of the whole soldiers' vote controversy."

## Proclaims Army Day

President Roosevelt issued a proclamation this week designating 6 April as Army Day in honor of "the valiant soldiers" who compose "a mighty army of liberation."

The President said that "the men and women of the American Army, of different races and creeds but one in their love of freedom and their devotion to the goals for which the United Nations are striving, must face during the coming year a burning test of their courage, their resourcefulness and their physical prowess."

## Camp Crowder Personnel

Col. Ernest S. Barker, who has specialized in communications during 26 years in the Regular Army, has been transferred from Ft. Monmouth, N. J., to become Director of Training for Central Signal Corps Training Center, commanded by Maj. Gen. Walter E. Prosser, at Camp Crowder, Mo.

Col. Barker, who was a member of the First Signal Unit Survey Group at Ft. Monmouth, succeeds Col. James Harry Marsh, Jr., who has been transferred to an unannounced assignment.

## Rear Admirals Named

Captains Felix B. Stump and Alfred M. Pride were nominated to the Senate yesterday for temporary promotion to rear admirals of the Navy.

## Says Adm. Redman Silenced

Charges that demotion of Rear Adm. Joseph R. Redman, director of naval communications, was recommended because of testimony he is alleged to have given concerning "bungling" by the Federal Communications Commission, were made this week by Representative Louis E. Miller (Rep. of Mo.), before the Special House Committee investigating the FCC.

Mr. Miller told the committee that because of "bungling" by the FCC a Navy task force in Alaskan waters was ordered out on a fruitless mission, in the course of which a man was disabled, and that for revealing this incident to the committee Admiral Redman's demotion was recommended.

Representative Miller said:

"Admiral Redman had testified before the staff of this committee. He had given certain testimony regarding Pearl Harbor and regarding an accident that had occurred to the task force operating in Alaskan waters. After this testimony was given by Admiral Redman, a copy of his statement was requested by the White House. After the contents had been learned, Mr. Fly read, in the presence of Commissioner Craven, a letter presumably from the White House in which it was stated that certain things might happen to Commissioner Craven and others who testified in secret before the committee investigating the FCC. A copy of this alleged letter or note from the White House was shown to Commissioner Craven."

## Reprimanded for Writing

Representative Scott (Rep. of Pa.) revealed this week that a complaint he had made against an Army chaplain had resulted in the latter being reprimanded.

The Congressman said that Lt. Charles L. Austin, a chaplain at Keesler Field, Miss., had written to him criticizing his opposition to the Federal ballot bill. Mr. Scott in turn wrote to Col. Robert E. M. Goolrick, commanding officer of the Air Forces technical training base, and asked if it were proper for an officer to carry on such "lobbying activities." The Congressman said that Colonel Goolrick replied, in part:

"An investigation at this station reveals that Chaplain Austin has written a letter to a number of Congressmen which it is believed improper. This investigation also reveals that Chaplain Austin is not engaged in other political activities and he is making no effort to influence the vote of soldiers at this station."

"It has been emphasized to Chaplain Austin that he was in error in writing such a letter and he has been reprimanded verbally for his action."

## Army Casualty Totals

The Secretary of War this week announced United States Army casualty figures for the Italian campaign as well as total Army casualties in all theaters of operation, as follows:

In Italy, from the time of the first landings on the mainland, American casualties have come to 5,749 killed, 23,035 wounded and 10,274 missing.

Total United States Army casualties in all theaters as reported through March 7, 1944, are as follows: 21,737 killed, 50,363 wounded, 26,747 missing and 27,346 prisoners—a total of 126,193.

Of the wounded, 26,459 have returned to duty.

Of the prisoners, 1,674 have been reported by the enemy as having died of disease in prison camps, mostly in Japanese-occupied territory. The number in fact is undoubtedly larger.

## Negro Crew Reports

The destroyer escort Mason, first United States naval vessel with a predominantly Negro crew, was commissioned 20 March at the Boston Navy Yard. Lt. Comdr. William M. Blackford assumed command of the crew of 160 Negroes and forty-four whites.

## Leviathan Vets. to Meet

The USS Leviathan Veterans Association will hold its Annual Reunion and Dinner at Rutley's Restaurant, 40th St. and Broadway, New York City, Saturday, 15 April 1944. R. L. Hedlander, 4306 Russell Ave., Mt. Rainier, Md., is secretary for the association.

## 9th Troop Carrier Command

Dispatches from London this week reported that Brig. Gen. Paul L. Williams had been made chief of the Ninth Troop Carrier Command.

Preventive Maintenance is not a military secret. So talk about it to everyone, and perform it on everything.

## "Full, Fair, Accurate" News

Army publications and Army information films are giving troops in this country and overseas a "full, fair and accurate picture" of the wartime activities and accomplishments of American labor, the Secretary of War contended in a press conference 23 March.

Announcing a recent meeting between Under Secretary Patterson and a joint delegation of AFL and CIO leaders, the War Department Bureau of Public Relations said:

The War Department cannot take it upon itself to police all American publications or to withhold from soldiers, publications which they want to read. It is the War Department's policy to see to it that the information troops receive from Army sources is full, fair and accurate, and to make it possible for them to obtain any outside periodicals, including labor publications, which they desire to read. It welcomes all constructive suggestions as to how this job can be done better, but it cannot accept the role of special pleader or of judge as to the relative contribution various segments of our population are making to the cause of victory.

Soldiers have access to any outside publication they wish to read. The troops make their own selection of such outside reading matter. The Army does not select for them.

Any soldier in this country or abroad may receive any periodical to which he wishes to subscribe. Labor publications are in the same category as all others in this respect.

## LCI Demonstration

A third group of representatives of the landing craft industry took part this week in an overnight trip aboard an LCI from Solomons Island, Md., to observe landing craft maneuvers and training, and to see for themselves how the Navy uses the products of their factories and shipyards.

The trip was part of a nationwide program sponsored by the Industrial Incentive Division, of which Rear Adm. C. H. Woodward, USN, is Chief, to stimulate production of landing craft—the Navy's number one problem today. The representatives gave an enthusiastic pledge that the factories and shipyards they represented would do all in their power to see that the Navy gets the necessary landing craft, component parts, and battle replacements on time.

## Dutch Seapower

Despite serious losses incurred during the early days of the war, the Netherlands Navy still has more than sixty warships, with crews numbering some 7,000 men, in active operation, a press release from the Netherlands Information Bureau announces. Holland has also contributed upwards of 2,600,000 tons to the shipping pool created by the United Nations; and the Dutch Merchant Marine, employing more than 20,000 seamen, has sailed approximately 60,000,000 sea miles during the war.

The fighting fleet includes cruisers, destroyers, submarines, minelayers, minesweepers, and auxiliary craft.

## Ft. Missoula Returned to Army

Ft. Missoula, Mont., is being returned to the jurisdiction of the War Department, the Department of Justice announced this week. The post had been lent to the Immigration and Naturalization Service for use as a Civilian Internment Center, but is no longer needed for that purpose.

## USS Macaw Lost in Pacific

The USS Macaw, an auxiliary submarine rescue vessel, after having gone aground on a coral reef in the Pacific, slid off and sank on 13 Feb. 1944, the Navy Department announced this week.

Lt. Cmdr. Paul W. Burton, USN, commanding officer of the Macaw, is listed as missing.

## Strengthen Army Ground Forces

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for the organization of additional divisions. Rather our system is predicated upon the maintenance of our planned number of divisions at their organizational strength by the operation of a thorough replacement training system. For this purpose the period of training for replacements has been increased from 13 to 17 weeks, so that the men are ready to take their places in seasoned divisions without any undue strain on the men or on the division, which can absorb a predetermined percentage of replacements without impairment of battle efficiency.

## Special Honor for Gen. Eisenhower

Prime Minister Churchill told the House of Commons this week that a new honor has been conferred on Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower and Gen. Sir Harold R. L. Alexander, who will henceforth be permitted to wear both numerals 1 and 8 on their Africa Star ribbons.

Other personnel who may have served with both armies are permitted to use only one numeral, but because the two generals actually commanded both they will be the only ones to wear both. The Africa Star already has been awarded to 1,500,000 men.

The Prime Minister forecast the establishment of a Victory Medal for Britain's millions of men and women in the uniformed services, and a United Nation's Medal for the actual fighting forces.

## Direct Commissions Overseas

Warrant officers and enlisted men in non-combat assignments overseas who have demonstrated outstanding qualifications but who can not be released for Officer Candidate Schools because of the importance of their work may now be appointed second lieutenants, Army of the United States, directly by their theater commanders, the War Department announced this week.

Overseas theater commanders had previously been authorized to appoint officers from the ranks for combat leadership, appointments from non-combat categories having been subject to War Department clearance.

Eligibility requirements are six months overseas service and the standards prescribed for Officer Candidate Schools.

## Army Promotion Status

Promotions and Vacancies on the Promotion List (Cumulative) and Promotions on the Non-Promotion List since

17 March 1944.

Last promotion to the grade of Colonel—Harold V. James, INF, No. 45. Vacancies—none. Last nomination to the grade of Colonel—Henry J. F. Miller, AC No. 75. Senior Lt. Colonel Alfred S. Balsam, QMC, No. 76. Last promotion to the grade of Lt. Colonel—George H. Bare, INF No. 200. Last promotion to the grade of Major—Robert H. McCleave, INF No. 315. Last promotion to the grade of Captain—Adrian L. Hoebeke, INF No. 298. Last promotion to the grade of 1st Lt.—Francis H. Smith, INF No. 721.

## Naval Air Base in England

The U. S. Navy has taken over its first air base in the European Theater of Operations, press dispatches from England reported this week. The base, an antisubmarine field, will be commanded by Comdr. Thomas Durfee, USNR.

## Describes Enemy Air Tactics

Maj. Philip M. Rasmussen, a member of the first AAF fighter group to reach New Guinea in 1942, has just returned to the United States after two years and eleven months overseas. He was commanding officer of his group, a unit of the Fifth Air Force, before leaving the theater.

Major Rasmussen shot down his first Japanese plane 7 Dec., 1941, when he was one of four pilots to take off from Wheeler Field, Hawaii, during the attack.

Recounting his observations in the New Guinea area at a press conference in Washington, 16 March, he stated that in the beginning the Japanese thought that the answer to aerial combat was light and maneuverable planes for which they sacrificed both armor and heavy armament.

The AAF, he said, have relied on fire power and high speed. Japanese fighter teams also appeared as three planes as opposed to our fighter teams of two. This formation, he said, is unwieldy, and the enemy now are following our example. Often, too, they concentrated their most experienced pilots in a single unit, leaving other units manned by green fliers only. Our policy has been to intersperse our best men among the more inexperienced.

"In the first year, Aug. 1942 to Aug. or Sept. 1943," Major Rasmussen said, "the Japs were gradually building up their air force in the New Guinea area. Since that time their losses have been so great and so sustained that they have not been able to compensate them."



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